DID YOU KNOW?
MEN DECIDED ON THE COLOR OF THE PAPER. AT FIRST, ALL THINGS WERE COLORLESS AWAITING THE IMPRINT OF HUMANITY.
IT IS SAID THAT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE WORLD, GOOD AND EVIL WERE TWO PARTS OF THE SAME BODY, LIKE THE FRONT AND BACK OF A FOLDED BLANK PIECE OF PAPER.
BLACK AND WHITE WERE ADDED TO THE PAPER BY MEN THEMSELVES.
MEN ARE FULL OF CONTRADICTIONS... MEN ARE EXTREMELY FRAGILE....

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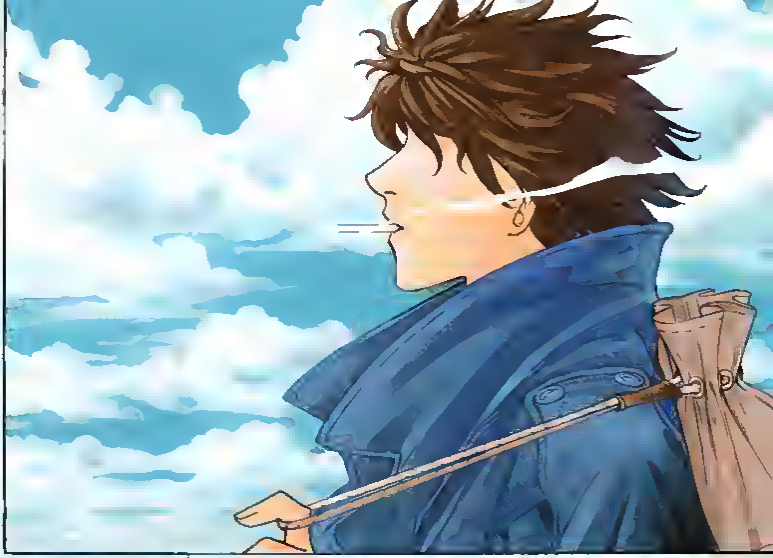
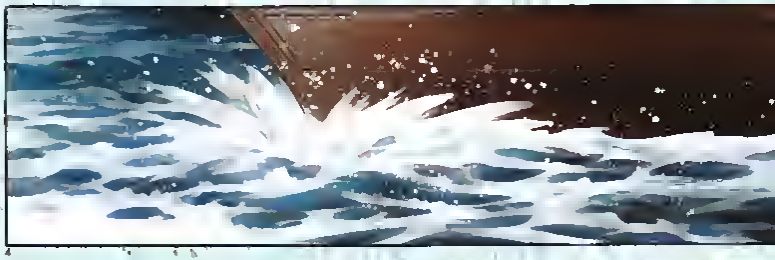
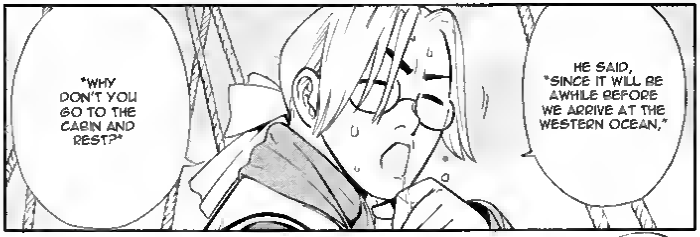




WHAT DID THIS GUY JUST SAY?
BLEAGH!


"WHY DON'T YOU GO TO THE CABIN AND REST?"
HE SAID, "SINCE IT WILL BE AWHILE BEFORE WE ARRIVE AT THE WESTERN OCEAN,"

YOU'RE THE BIG GENERAL OF JUSHIN, BUT HERE YOU ARE VISITING SOME DISTANT COUNTRY!
WHY ARE YOU TRAVELING ON THIS SHIP, ANYWAY?
HE WAS TALKING TO YOU!
IS THAT SO? WHY DON'T YOU DO THAT?

I THOUGHT I FINALLY REACHED JUSHIN, BUT HERE I AM, TRAVELING AWAY FROM IT AGAIN!
REGARDLESS, YOU'RE NOTHING BUT TROUBLE FOR ME!
BUT I AM NO LONGER A GENERAL.

WELL, RIGHT NOW WE DON'T HAVE ANY MANPOWER TO SPARE, AND BESIDES YOU, NO ONE IN MY COUNTRY UNDERSTANDS FOREIGN LANGUAGES
THAT'S ABSOLUTELY OUTRAGEOUS!! A GREAT EASTERN EMPIRE, AND IT DOESN'T EVEN HAVE A TRANSLATOR!
DIPLOMACY IS ONE OF THE FOUNDATIONS FOR INCREASING THE POWER OF A COUNTRY!
YOUR COUNTRY IS FULL OF BARBARIANS WHO ONLY KNOW HOW TO FIGHT.

YOUR NAME IS HART?
LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING
THAT STUFF YOU WERE THROWING UP IS ALL OVER YOUR CLOTHES
EEK!
ONLY KNOW HOW TO FIGHT...
FULL OF BARBARIANS?

I WOULD STILL WANT TO FIGHT AS A MEMBER OF THE GHOST BRIGADE
IF I WERE BORN AGAIN...

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HAVEN'T WE BEEN FIGHTING ALL THIS TIME BECAUSE WE HATE WAR?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

THAT'S RIGHT. WE LOATHE WAR

AND STAND ON THE BATTLE-FIELD
AT YOUR SIDE, GENERAL

THE HEALERS WILL BE HERE SHORTLY
HANG IN THERE JUST A BIT LONGER
BUT...
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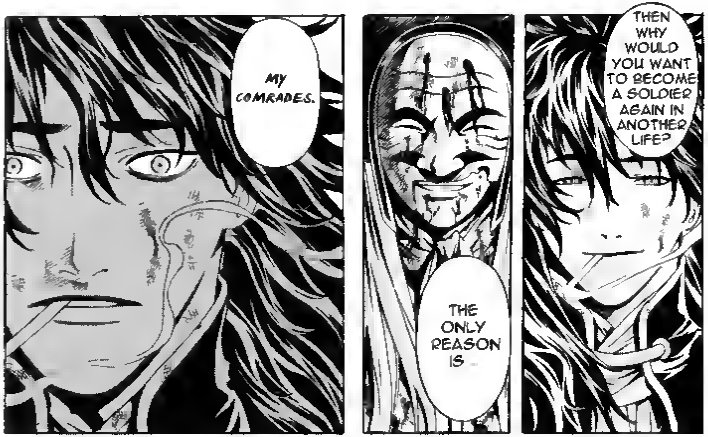
THE STENCH OF BLOOD AND DEATH THAT FILLS THIS HELL ON EARTH...
IS HARD TO BEAR.
EVEN THOUGH I REALLY HATE THIS BATTLEFIELD FILLED WITH THE SCREAMS OF THE DYING...
AND EVEN THOUGH I HAVE TO FIGHT LIKE A MADMAN JUST TO STAY ALIVE
SOMEHOW, IT HAS BECOME...
THE ONE PLACE I CAN FEEL AT EASE.

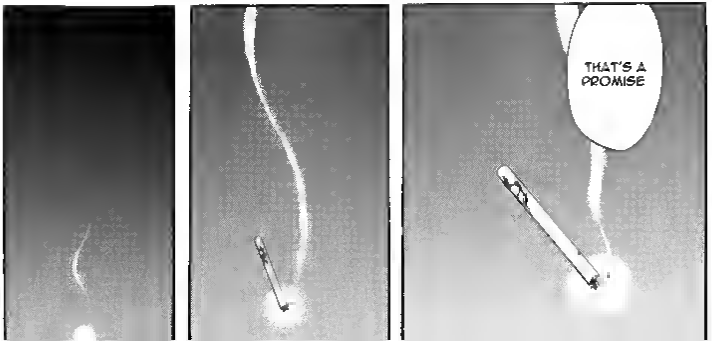
AFTER ALL THESE YEARS OF GRUELING WARFARE, THOSE WHO ONCE LOVED ME HAVE FORGOTTEN ME...
AND I HAVE BECOME...
NOTHING BUT A WEAPON WHOSE ONLY OBJECT IS TO STAY ALIVE ON THE BATTLE-FIELD


THEN WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO BECOME A SOLDIER AGAIN IN ANOTHER LIFE?
THE ONLY REASON IS...
MY COMRADES.

IN LIFE AND DEATH SITUATIONS...
BACK TO BACK, DEPENDING ON ONE ANOTHER...
COMRADES, TOGETHER IN VICTORY AND DEFEAT
THEY ARE THE ONLY REASON...
I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN I AM STILL A MAN
BUT THEY...
ARE NOW—

EXECUTE THE GENERAL'S ORDERS SWIFTLY AND EFFICIENTLY?
WHY DIDN'T WE...
WHY DIDN'T WE FIGHT WITH EVERY-THING WE HAD BACK THERE?
HAD WE DONE THAT...
MAYBE I WOULDN'T BE THE ONLY ONE LEFT TO SAVOR OUR VICTORY.
EVERYTHING... THAT I WANT TO... PROTECT..
BECAUSE THEN I WOULD DEFINITELY PROTECT...
I WOULD STILL WANT TO BE... A MEMBER OF THE GHOST BRIGADE
THAT'S WHY IF I HAVE ANOTHER CHANCE TO LIVE
I PROMISE YOU...
IF I EVER HAVE THE CHANCE TO SEE YOU AGAIN...

...I WILL TAKE BETTER CARE OF YOU.
I WILL NEVER TAKE YOU INTO BATTLE AGAINST SUCH DEMONS AGAIN.
INSTEAD, I WILL LEAD YOU IN A BATTLE THAT COULD TRULY BE CALLED EPIC AND GLORIOUS.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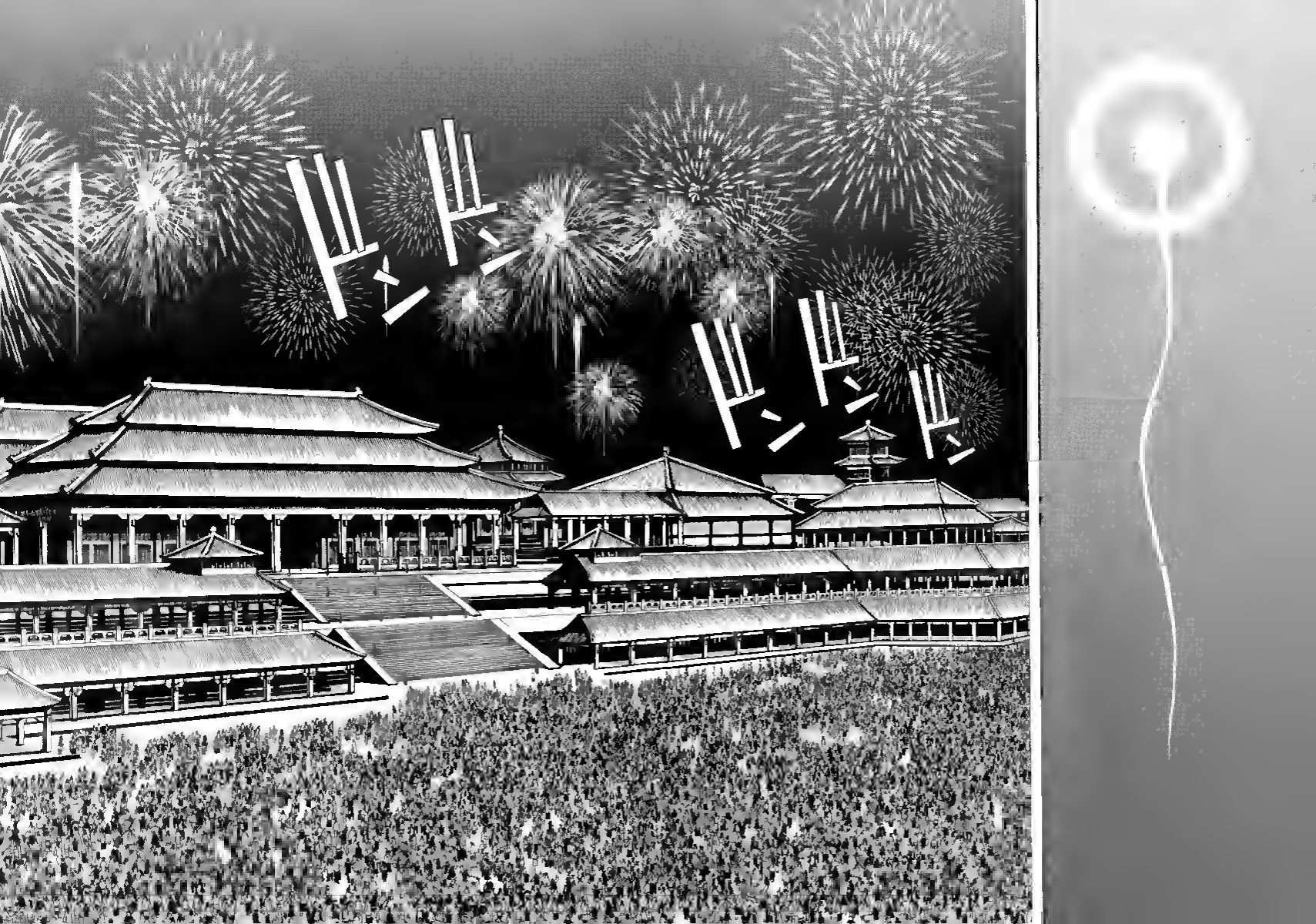
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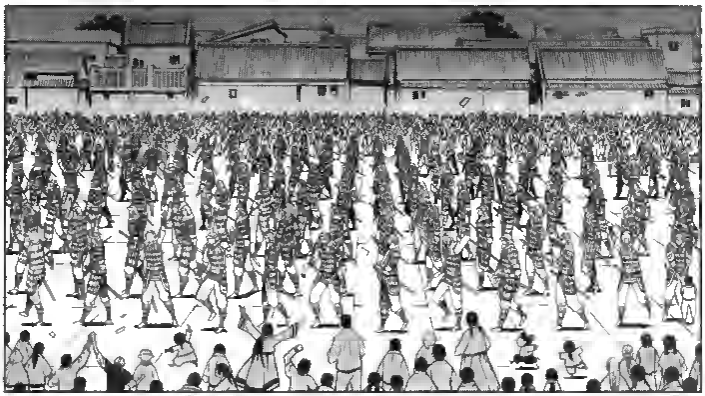
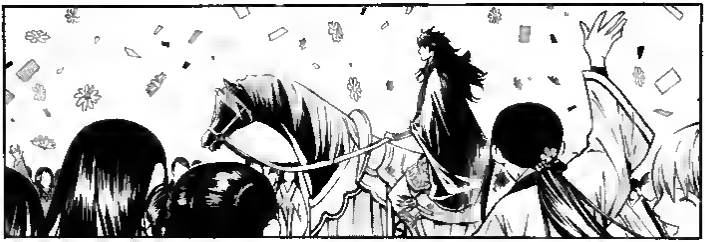
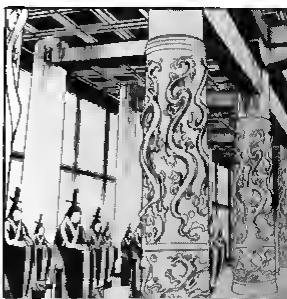
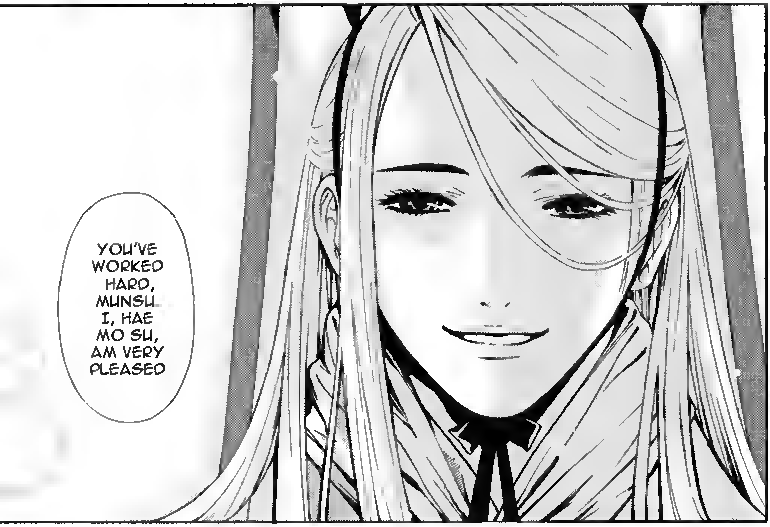
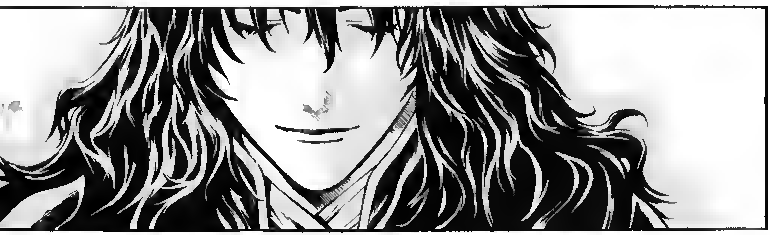


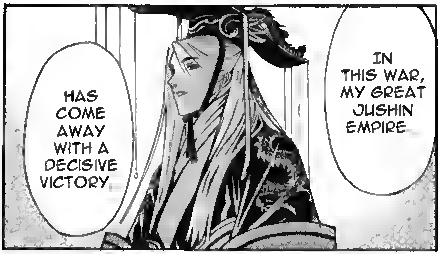


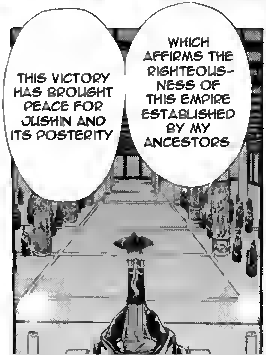


I AM ASHAMED TO FACE MY KING
MOST OF THE COUNTRY'S VALIANT HEROES AND WARRIORS HAVE PERISHED ON THE BATTLEFIELD
PLEASE RAISE YOUR HEAD.
GENERAL MUNSU.
ALTHOUGH I WON THE VICTORY DEMANDED OF ME BY THE GLORIOUS EMPIRE OF JUSHIN...
RAISE YOUR HEAD,


YOU'VE WORKED HARD, MUNSU. I, HAE MO SU, AM VERY PLEASED



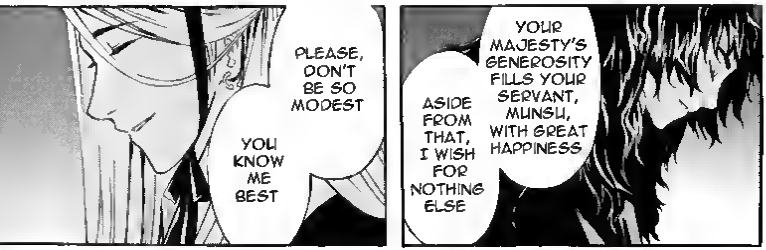

IN THIS WAR, MY GREAT JUSHIN EMPIRE
HAS COME AWAY WITH A DECISIVE VICTORY

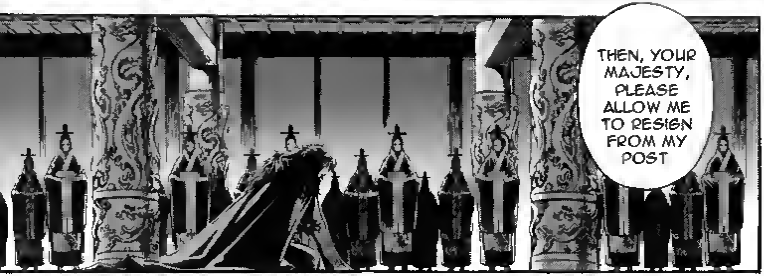

WHICH AFFIRMS THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF THIS EMPIRE ESTABLISHED BY MY ANCESTORS
THIS VICTORY HAS BROUGHT PEACE FOR JUSHIN AND ITS POSTERITY

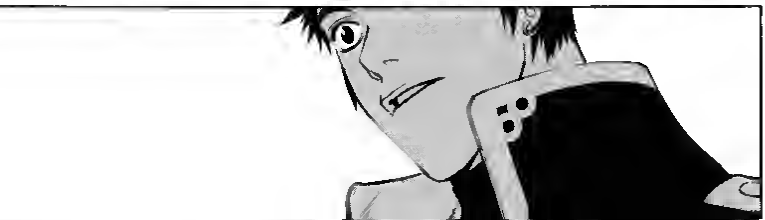
TO THE GENERAL WHO ACCOMPLISHED THIS, I BESTOW THE TITLE 'LEGENDARY' THE GREATEST OF ALL MILITARY RANKS
OTHERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THIS BATTLE WILL ALSO BE GIVEN SUITABLE RANKS AND TITLES.

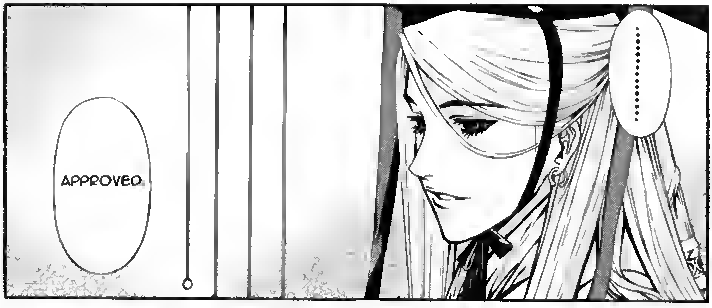
ABSOLUTE JUSHIN!
ABSOLUTE JUSHIN!

GENERAL MUNSU,
THERE IS NO REWARD GREAT ENOUGH FOR ONE WHO HAS ACCOMPLISHED SO MUCH FOR THE BENEFIT OF JUSHIN.
WHAT DO YOU WISH FOR?
I WILL LISTEN TO ANY REQUEST.


PLEASE, DON'T BE SO MODEST
YOU KNOW ME BEST
YOUR MAJESTY'S GENEROSITY FILLS YOUR SERVANT, MUNSU, WITH GREAT HAPPINESS
ASIDE FROM THAT, I WISH FOR NOTHING ELSE


THEN, YOUR MAJESTY, PLEASE ALLOW ME TO RESIGN FROM MY POST

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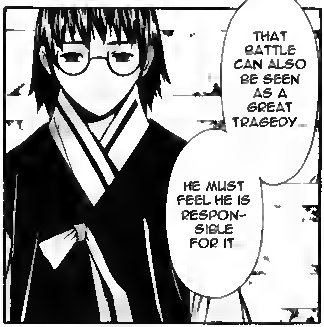
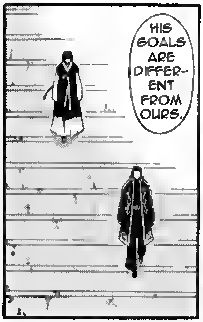
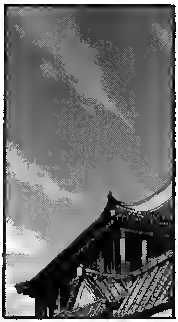

THAT BATTLE CAN ALSO BE SEEN AS A GREAT TRAGEDY..
HE MUST FEEL HE IS RESPON-SIBLE FOR IT


HIS GOALS ARE DIFFER-ENT FROM OURS.



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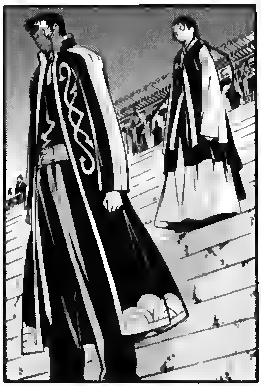
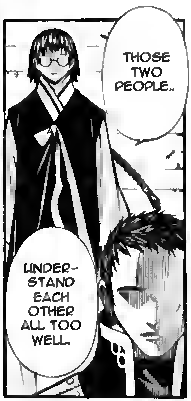
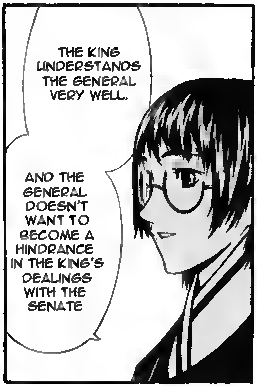
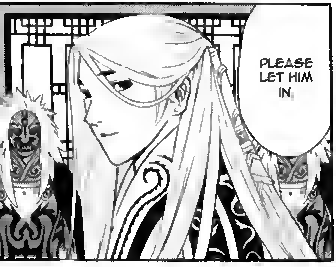


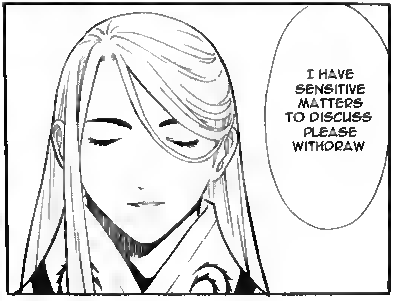

THOSE TWO PEOPLE..
UNDER-STAND EACH OTHER ALL TOO WELL..

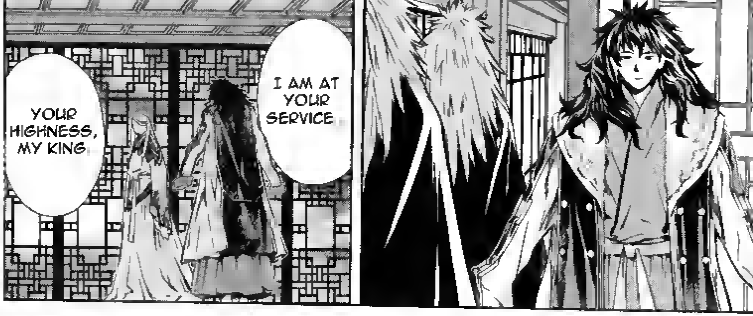

THE KING UNDERSTANDS THE GENERAL VERY WELL.
AND THE GENERAL DOESN'T WANT TO BECOME A HINDRANCE IN THE KING'S DEALINGS WITH THE SENATE

GENERAL MUNSU REQUESTS AN AUDIENCE


PLEASE LET HIM IN.

YES.


I HAVE SENSITIVE MATTERS TO DISCUSS PLEASE WITHDRAW


YOUR HIGHNESS, MY KING
I AM AT YOUR SERVICE

YOUR MAJESTY'S UNDER-STANDING OF MY HUMBLE DESIRES
FILLS MY HEART WITH JOY
WHAT THE HELL DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?

SUDDENLY RESIGNING FROM YOUR POST! HOW COULD YOU DO SUCH A STUPID THING?
THIS IS MORE SHOCKING THAN SOMEBODY STARTING A REBELLION!
I'M NOT APPROVING YOUR REQUEST!
DIDN'T YOU SAY, "APPROVED?"
I'VE ALREADY MADE UP MY MIND!
I SAID I DON'T WANT TO DO THAT!
DO IT NOW! IT'S NOT TOO LATE
TAKE IT BACK! HURRY UP! RIGHT NOW!!
YOU HAVE TO STAY BY MY SIDE!
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UNTIL THE DAY YOU DIE, YOU HAVE TO STAY BY MY SIDE DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
MUNSU, YOU'RE MY SERVANT!
I'M SAYING I WON'T APPROVE IT!
YOU... YOU'RE SERIOUS?

OF COURSE I'M NOT SERIOUS
I KNOW HOW HEAVILY THE WAR HAS WEIGHED ON YOUR CONSCIENCE
BECAUSE I'M FINDING IT JUST AS PAINFUL.
EVERYBODY KNOWS ABOUT YOUR PIGHEADED-NESS
I ONLY SAID ALL THAT STUFF TO VENT MY ANGER
IT STILL WON'T RETURN THOSE DEAD SOLDIERS TO THEIR FAMLIES
NO MATTER HOW MAGNIFICENT A MEMORIAL WE CONSTRUCT,
EXACTLY WHAT I HAVE IN MIND
I PLAN TO RULE THAT WAY AS LONG AS I LIVE
IF YOU UNDERSTAND ALL THAT THEN UNTIL THE DAY YOU DIE,
GOVERN FOR THE GOOD OF THE PEOPLE

I DON'T KNOW ALL I KNOW IS THAT MY FAMILY SOMEHOW BECAME TANGLED IN YOUR FATE
WHY ARE YOU SUDDENLY BRINGING THAT UP?

MUNSU, HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN ME?

MY PEACEFUL LITTLE FAMILY BECAME EMBROILED IN INTRIGUE DURING THE STRUGGLE FOR THE THRONE
15 YEARS AGO...

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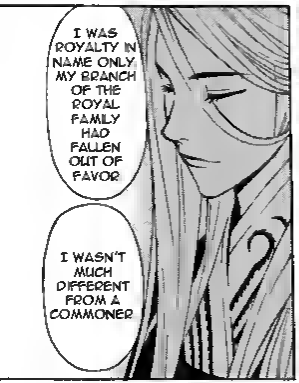
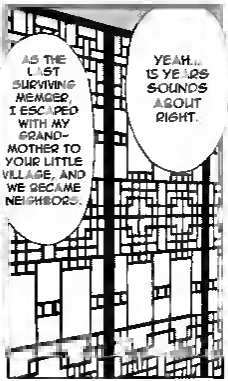
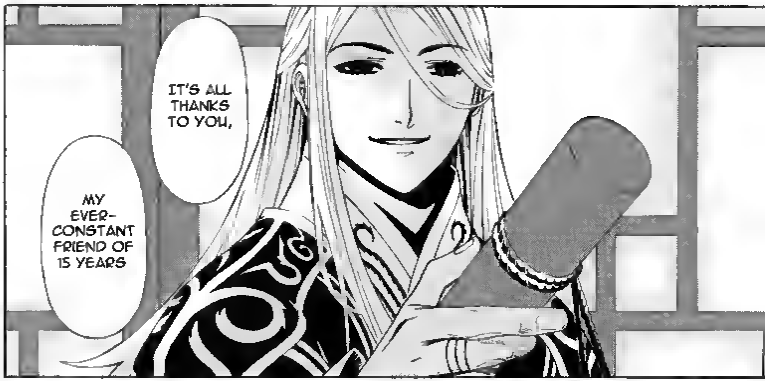

I WAS ROYALTY IN NAME ONLY. MY BRANCH OF THE ROYAL FAMILY HAD FALLEN OUT OF FAVOR.
I WASN'T MUCH DIFFERENT FROM A COMMONER

DID YOU KNOW HOW MUCH SUFFERING THOSE VILLAGERS HAD TO ENDURE?
A FALLEN PRINCE SUDDENLY APPEARING IN OUR VILLAGE


AS THE LAST SURVIVING MEMBER, I ESCAPED WITH MY GRANDMOTHER TO YOUR LITTLE VILLAGE, AND WE BECAME NEIGHBORS.
YEAH... 15 YEARS SOUNDS ABOUT RIGHT.

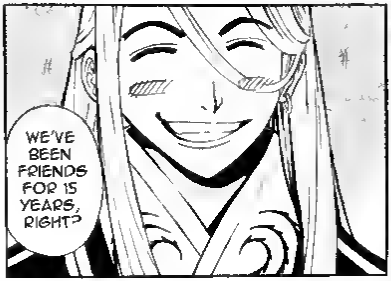
NO.
YOU HAVE BECOME THE KING..
SOLELY BECAUSE OF YOUR OWN ABILITY.
I LOST EVERYTHING BECAUSE I WAS ROYALTY
AND YET, NOW I HAVE ALL THIS
IRONIC, DON'T YOU THINK?

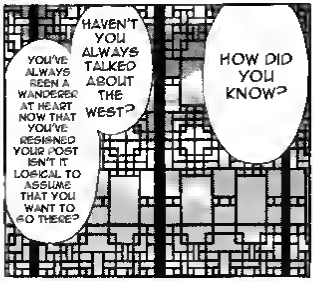

IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU,
MY EVER-CONSTANT FRIEND OF 15 YEARS

EVERY COUNTRY WITH WHICH WE HAVE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WILL RECOGNIZE THIS DOCUMENT
THIS IS YOUR PERSONAL SEAL AND TITLE

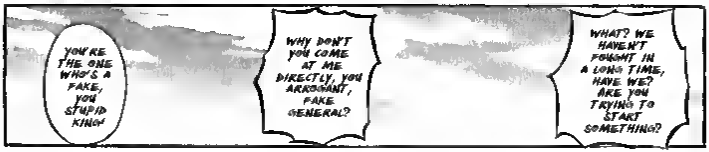
HOW ABOUT IT? TAKE THIS.

DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WANTED TO GO TO THE WEST? IT WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE COUNTRIES THERE, TOO.
IT WILL ALLOW YOU TO GO WHEREVER YOU WANT.


WE'VE BEEN FRIENDS FOR 15 YEARS, RIGHT?


HOW DID YOU KNOW?
HAVEN'T YOU ALWAYS TALKED ABOUT THE WEST?
YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN A WANDERER AT HEART NOW THAT YOU'VE RESIGNED YOUR POST ISN'T IT LOGICAL TO ASSUME THAT YOU WANT TO GO THERE?

I FELT LIKE IT
WHY DID YOU HIT ME?
I DIDN'T LIKE THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE.


YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S A FAKE, YOU STUPID KING!
WHY DON'T YOU COME AT ME DIRECTLY, YOU ARROGANT, FAKE GENERAL?
WHAT? WE HAVEN'T FOUGHT IN A LONG TIME, HAVE WE? ARE YOU TRYING TO START SOMETHING?

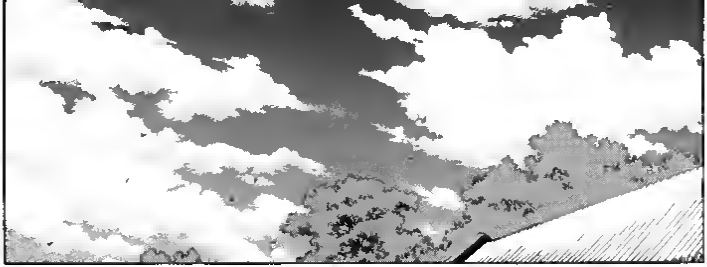
I'M TALKING ABOUT KYE WOL HYANG.

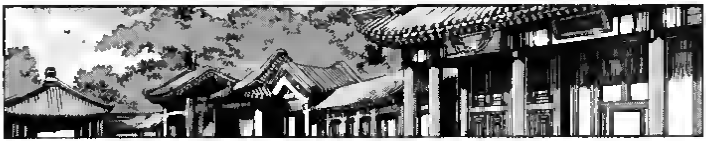
I'M LEAVING NOW

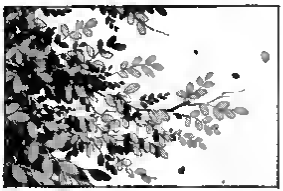
HEY, WAIT A MINUTE
I SAID WAIT A MINUTE

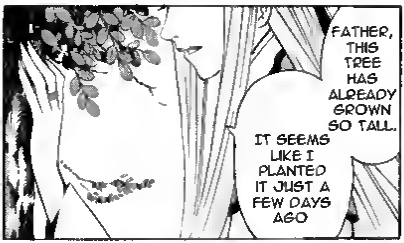
DON'T WORRY, I'LL COME BY AGAIN BEFORE I LEAVE.
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THAT/ IS IT REALLY OK
FOR HER?

IF YOU LEAVE HER BEHIND THIS TIME...
BY THE TIME YOU COME BACK, SHE MIGHT BE MY WIFE
I'M SERIOUS.








FATHER, THIS TREE HAS ALREADY GROWN SO TALL.
IT SEEMS LIKE I PLANTED IT JUST A FEW DAYS AGO

HEY NOW, YOU RAN OUTSIDE AGAIN
COME BACK INSIDE, KYE WOL HYANG. THE DOCTOR SAID YOU MUSTN'T GO OUT

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CAN'T WE MOVE THIS TREE TO SOME OTHER PLACE?
IF IT KEEPS GROWING OUR HOUSE WILL BE COMPLETELY HEMMED IN BY THIS ACACIA TREE

THAT'S WHAT I'M WAITING FOR!

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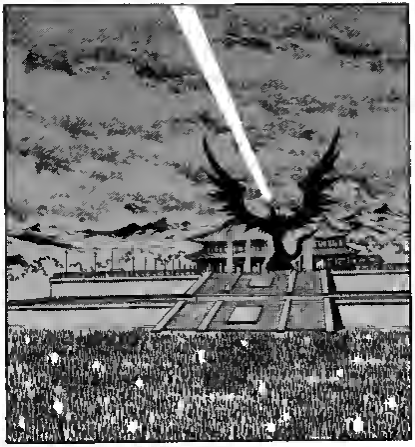
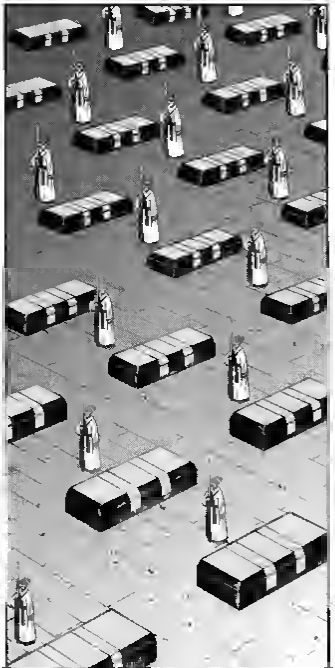




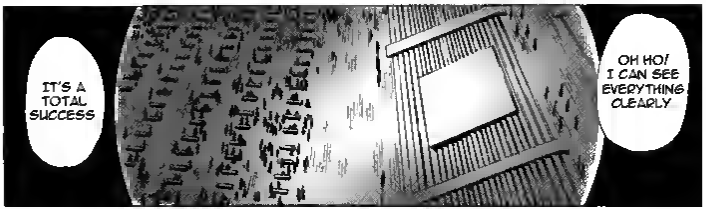
I WILL...
IF I EVER HAVE THE CHANCE TO SEE YOU AGAIN

HEY, COME OVER HERE AND TAKE A LOOK THIS IS A TELESCOPE I MADE
DON'T BE STUPID HOW CAN I ATTEND LOOKING LIKE THIS?

AREN'T YOU GOING TO THE CEREMONY?
HUH? YEONG SIL-DONO

DAMN IT! I'LL REMEMBER THIS

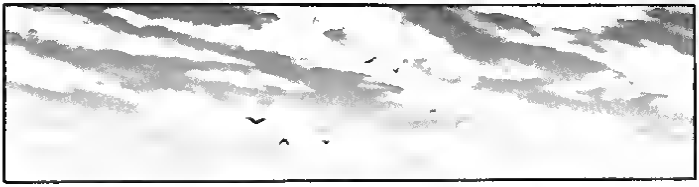
WE ALL ENDED UP IN THE HOSPITAL.
NO, I'M NOT GOING TO LOOK. THE LAST TIME YOU MADE SOMETHING
ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS TAKE A PEEK!


IT'S A TOTAL SUCCESS
OH HO! I CAN SEE EVERYTHING CLEARLY

AJI TAE?

WITH THIS, MANKIND WILL ADVANCE YET ANOTHER STEP

DON'T LOOK AT ME.



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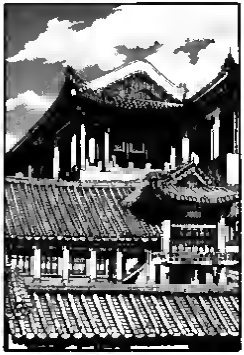


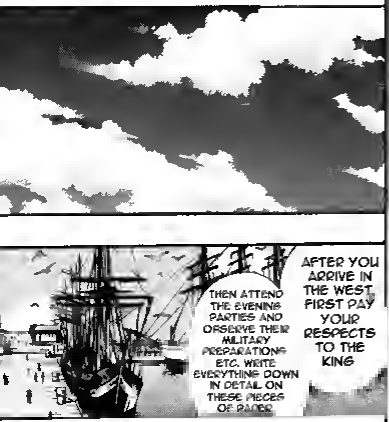
ARE YOU SURE...
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO REGRET THIS?

PLEASE RAISE A WONDERFUL FAMILY...
AND RULE OVER A WONDERFUL COUNTRY
HE REALLY IS HEARTLESS
SLAM

THIS IS WAY TOO MUCH
ALL HAIL...
THE LEGENDARY GENERAL MUNSU.
ABSOLUTE JUSHIN!
ABSOLUTE JUSHIN!

ABSOLUTE JUSHIN!
ABSOLUTE JUSHIN!

DON'T WAIT FOR ME.
I MIGHT NEVER COME BACK.
I'LL BE WAITING UNTIL YOU RETURN



AFTER YOU ARRIVE IN THE WEST, FIRST PAY YOUR RESPECTS TO THE KING
THEN ATTEND THE EVENING PARTIES AND OBSERVE THEIR MILITARY PREPARATIONS ETC. WRITE EVERYTHING DOWN IN DETAIL ON THESE PIECES OF PAPER

HEY, DO I REALLY HAVE TO DO ALL THIS?
THAT BASTARD, NO WONDER HE LET ME GO SO EASILY
HA HA THIS IS THE FIRST TIME OUR COUNTRY HAS BEEN ABLE TO SEND AN AMBASSADOR TO A FOREIGN NATION IT'S A RARE OPPORTUNITY

IT'S A SHAME. I REALLY WISH I COULD GO WITH YOU.

I WILL WAIT FOR YOU...
EVEN IF IT TAKES FOREVER

NO, I HAVEN'T.
I'M JUST A BIT NERVOUS.
SPEAKING OF WHICH...
I HEARD YOU HAVEN'T CALLED ON THE KING YET.
NONSENSE. YOU'VE BECOME THE KING'S PERSONAL CONFIDANT, RIGHT?
A PERSONAL ADVISOR WILL HAVE A LOT MORE FUN THAN AN ERRAND BOY LIKE ME.

IS SOMETHING WORRYING YOU?
.....
THE KING IS ALSO—
DON'T BE AFRAID AND JUST DO IT.

IS THAT WHY I'M DRAWN TO YOU?
AH, NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, THERE IS SOMETHING...

TO THE KING...
YOU ARE SOMEWHAT SIMILAR...

YOU'VE BEEN GLANCING OFF INTO THE DISTANCE EVER SINCE WE STARTED TALKING...
SO I'M GUESSING THAT YOU'RE EXPECTING SOMEONE TO COME SEND YOU OFF
ARE YOU EXPECTING SOMEONE?
EVEN THOUGH YOUR DISPOSITIONS ARE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT,
YOU TWO LEAVE A SIMILAR IMPRESSION ON PEOPLE.
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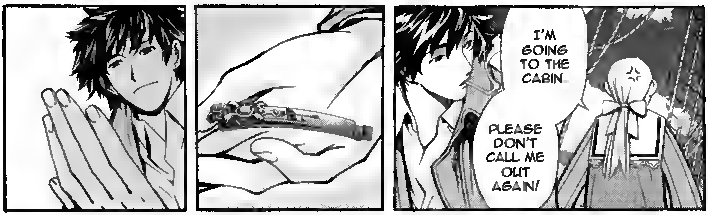
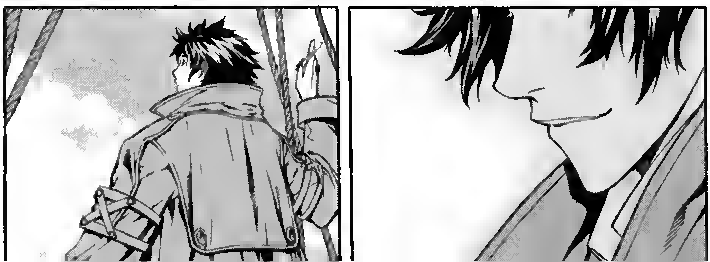
NO...

SHE SHOULDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT...
THAT I'M LEAVING ON THIS TRIP...


I'M GOING TO THE CABIN.
PLEASE DON'T CALL ME OUT AGAIN!



IF YOU THROW THAT AWAY, I WON'T FORGIVE YOU
!!
HUH?
WHAT'S WRONG? JUST TRY THROWING IT AWAY!
BECAUSE IF YOU DO, I'M GOING TO THROW YOU INTO THE SEA ALONG WITH IT.

KYE WOL HYANG
AND I'M NEVER GIVING YOU A GIFT AGAIN!
YOU— WHY ARE YOU HERE?
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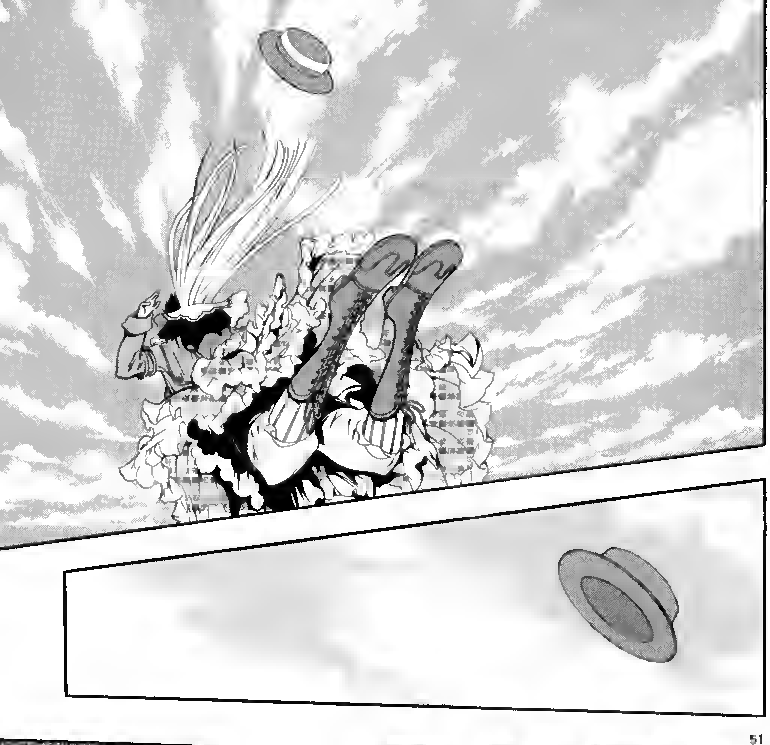
YOU REALLY ARE DETESTABLE



WHAT GREAT WEATHER.
I'M NOT THAT GENEROUS A PERSON.
ASKING ME TO TAKE CARE OF A FRIEND'S LOVE INTEREST...
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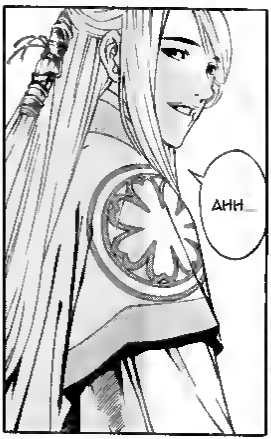
I STILL HAVE THIS COUNTRY TO RULE
ISN'T THIS FINE, THOUGH?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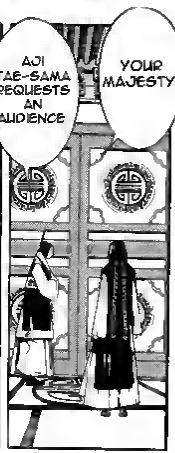
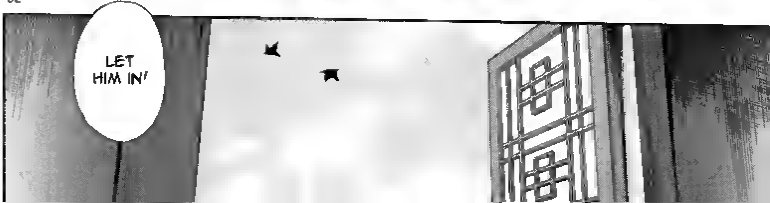

YOUR MAJESTY,
AJI TAE-SAMA REQUESTS AN AUDIENCE


LET HIM IN!

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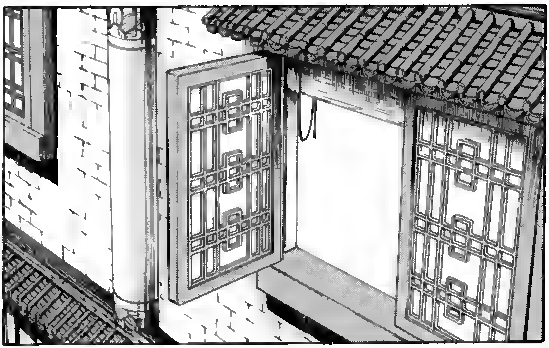

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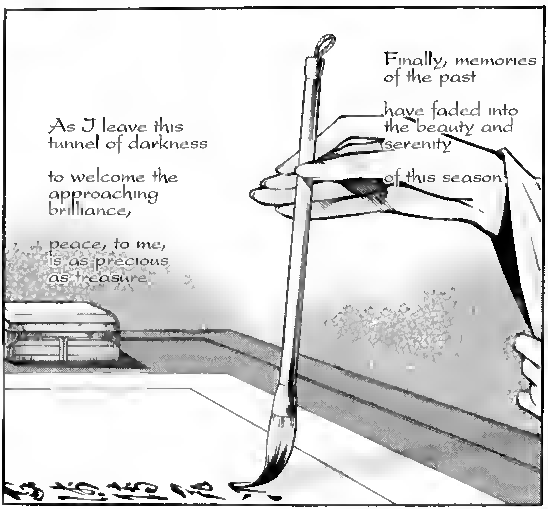
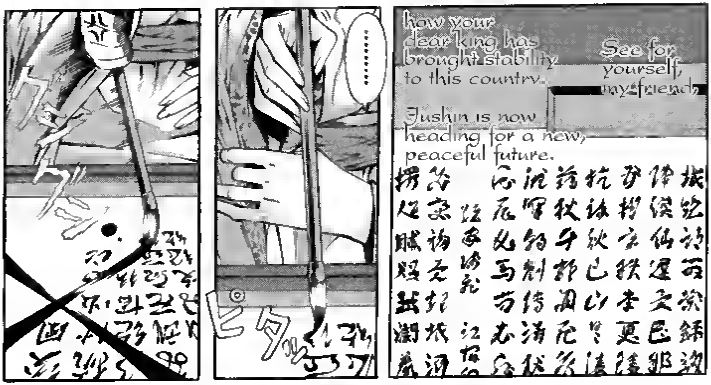

Finally, memories of the past
have faded into the beauty and serenity
of this season.
As I leave this tunnel of darkness
to welcome the approaching brilliance,
peace, to me, is as precious as treasure.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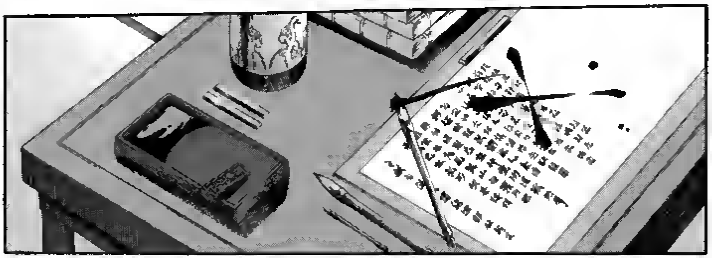
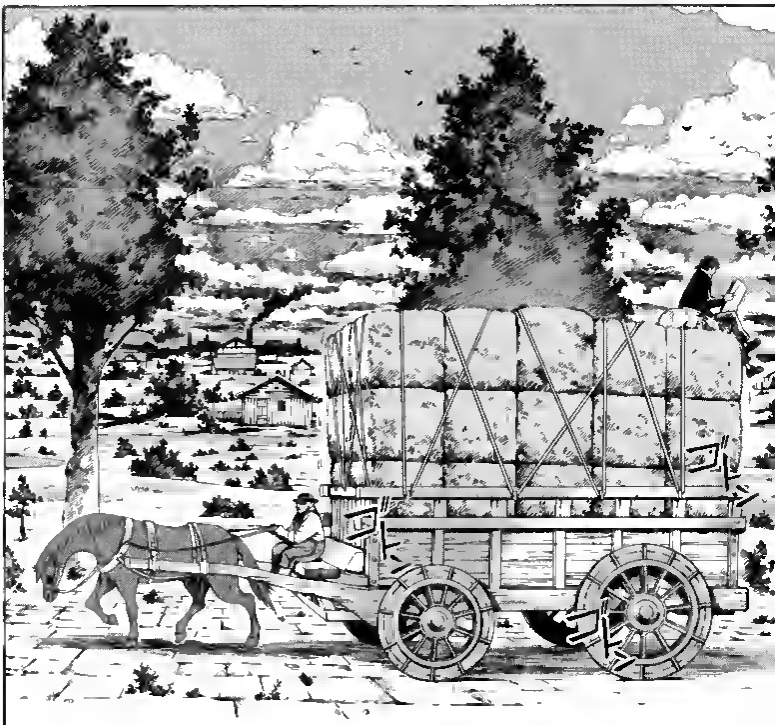
how your dear king has brought stability to this country.
See for yourself, my friend.
Jushin is now heading for a new, peaceful future.



MUNSU
I WONDER WHAT YOU'RE DOING NOW.

Two weeks later
SINCE YOU LEFT...
I'VE BEEN BORED TO DEATH



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Јеѕу.
THANK YOU, PHEARS
Жиик
Тэ Ёу
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HERE YOU ARE, MUNSU

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I JUST CAN'T GET USED TO THOSE THINGS

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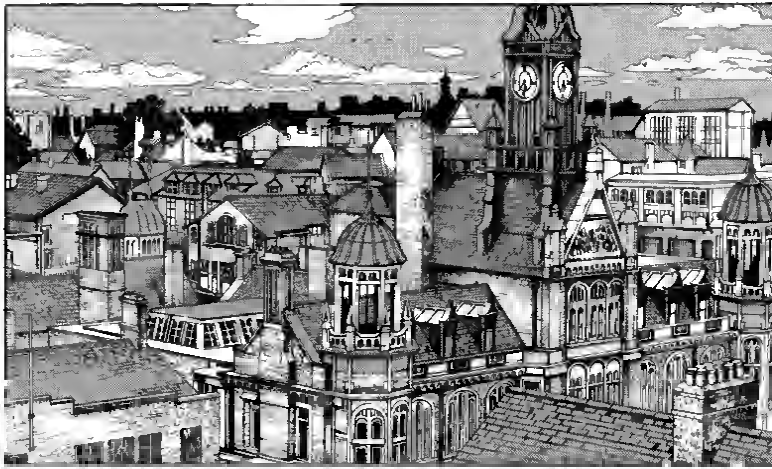

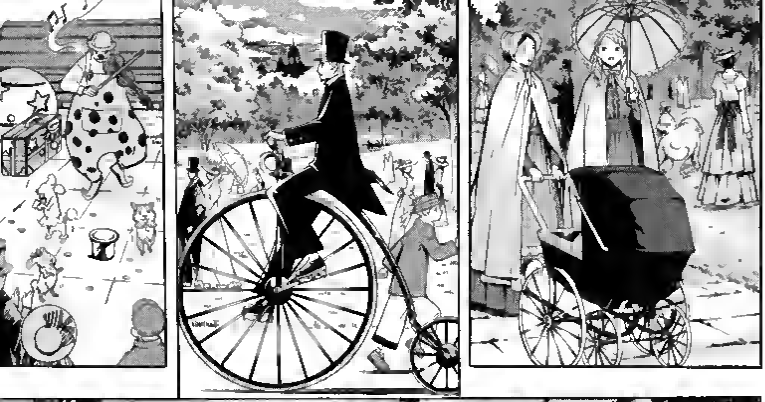

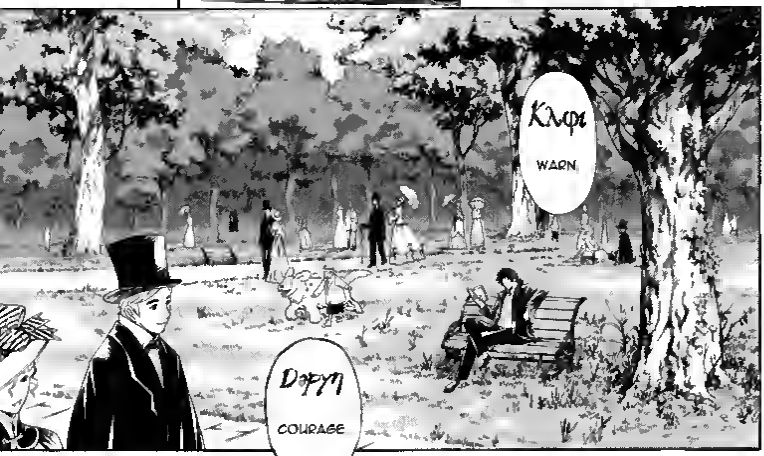
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IT SHOULD BE, PLEASE FORGIVE ME!
WRONG!

ARE YOU TRYING TO KILL ME?
DIDN'T YOU PROMISE NOT TO SMOKE?

ARGHH!
HAH, I'M DOING WELL.
HOW ARE YOU DOING WITH YOUR VOCABULARY?

OUCH
WHEN DID YOU GET HERE, KYE WOL HYANG?
HAH.. HA HA

REALLY?
HMM...
AH! I-I'M CHANGING, OF COURSE!
WHAT ABOUT YOU? ARE YOU WEARING THIS TO THE BANQUET?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? THIS IS JUST AN ORDINARY DRESS I'M GOING TO CHANGE LATER!
HEY, KYE WOL HYANG YOUR FORMAL GOWN IS BEAUTIFUL.
THOUGH YOU SEEM BETTER, YOUR OLD ILLNESS—
HOW ARE YOU FEELING? ARE YOU GOING TO THE HOSPITAL REGULARLY?
AH! I WANT TO EAT THAT!
I'VE NEVER ATTENDED A ROYAL BANQUET BEFORE.
I'M GOING TO THE SHOPS LATER TO FIND SOMETHING SUITABLE
GUESS I CAN'T WEAR THIS AFTER ALL.

HE LOOKS DIFFERENT
THAT'S MUNSU?
HA HA
EH?
I CAN HEAR THE DISTANT ECHOES OF THOSE BLASTS
WHEN-EVER I'M ALONE

IT MUST BE POST-WAR SYNDROME
IT SEEMS AMAZING TO BE IN THIS KIND OF PLACE INSTEAD OF A BATTLE-FIELD
I KNOW... IT'S JUST MY IMAGI-NATION

YEAH, THIS ALL SEEMS UNREAL...
I'D BE LYING
GENERAL, SAVE ME!
IF I SAY I DON'T HEAR THEM...
WAHHH, GENERAL!
MY... MY HAND!
ARGHH!
THAT'S SO BORING!
I DON'T DESERVE SUCH A SAFE AND PEACEFUL LIFE
HOW LONG DO YOU INTEND TO DWELL ON THE PAST?
MUNSU, WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU? WHENEVER YOU GET SOME FREE TIME, YOU START MUMBLING.
HUH?

THE PRESENT YOU...
IS SUCH A SORRY SIGHT!

YOU WANT ME TO FORGET ABOUT IT?
!
WHAT'S PAST IS PAST!
YOU NEED TO FORGET IT
I CAN'T, NOT A SINGLE BIT OF IT
THE BLOODY BATTLEFIELD...
MY FALLEN COMRADES...

BECAUSE OF THEIR SACRIFICES, I AM HERE TODAY
THAT'S WHY I WILL NEVER FORGET KYE WOL HYANG... IT'S NOT POSSIBLE.

WHAT ABOUT ME?
I...
DO YOU WANT ME TO SEE ONLY YOUR SHADOW?

DOESN'T SEEM TO HAVE ROOM FOR ME...
BUT YOUR HEART...
AND I FOLLOWED YOU HERE BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT TO LOSE YOU AGAIN.
CRIED SO MUCH WHILE I WAITED FOR YOUR RETURN.

JUST WHAT...
AM I TO YOU?
.....
HOW LONG HAVE THE THREE OF US KNOWN ONE ANOTHER?
10 YEARS...
NO, AROUND 15 YEARS

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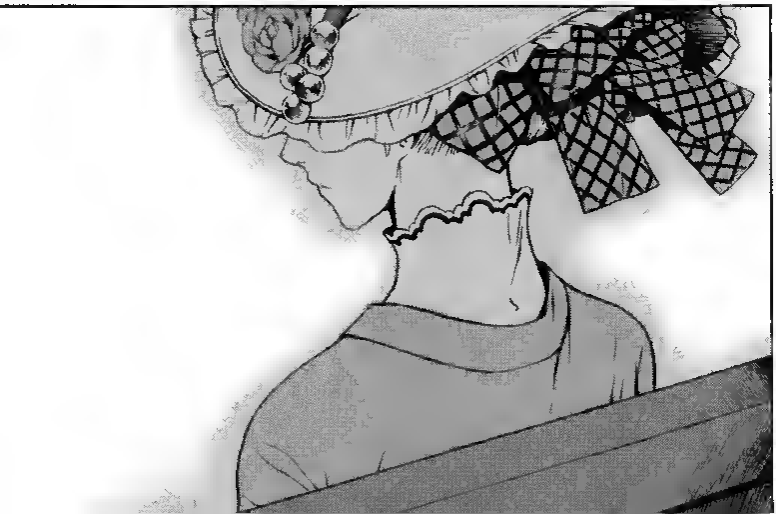
THE THREE OF US ARE SO CLOSE...



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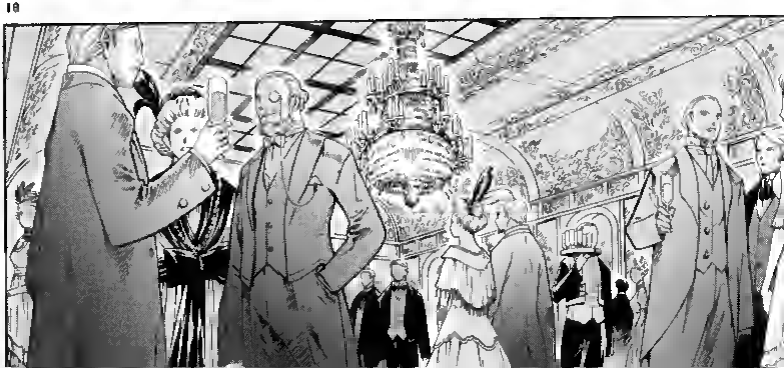
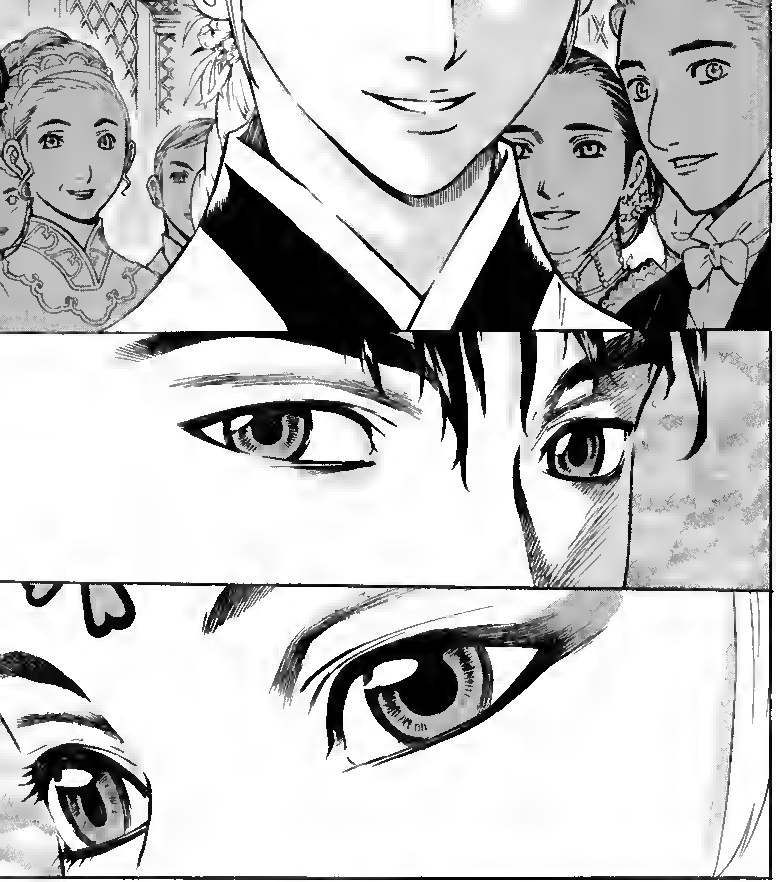
IT'S TIME KYE WOL HYANG
LET'S GO



ANNOUNCING THE FORMER COMMANDER OF JUSHIN'S MILITARY.
SIR MUNSU
THAT IS THE COMMANDER FOR THAT GREAT EASTERN COUNTRY?
HE LOOKS ORDINARY
HE DOESN'T APPEAR VERY DIGNIFIED IS HE REALLY THE LEGENDARY GENERAL OF JUSHIN?
THANK YOU.

OH, WHERE IS KYE WOL HYANG-SAMA?
THANKFULLY, HER ROYAL HIGHNESS HASN'T ARRIVED YET!
I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU WE ARE MEETING THE QUEEN TODAY.
WHY ARE YOU SO LATE?
SIR MUNSU!
HART
I SAID NOTHING!
WHAT KIND OF STUPID THING DID YOU SAY TO PISS HER OFF THIS TIME?
DID YOU TWO QUARREL AGAIN?
D-DON'T TELL ME SHE'S NOT HERE YET.
SHE'S HERE.



WOW, KYE WOL HYANG-SAMA IS WEARING THE TRADITIONAL COSTUME OF JOSHIN
SHE REALLY STANDS OUT.
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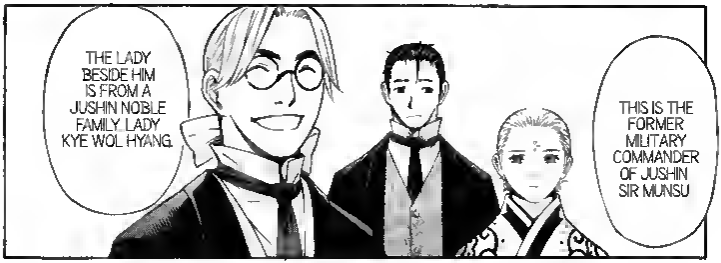
MARQUIS LOUBRARY
PLEASED TO MEET YOU I'M THE CHIEF OF INTERNAL SECURITY FOR PRETINICA
YOU BOTH HAVE TO GREET EVERYONE
HEY, YOU SHOULD ESCORT HER


THE LADY BESIDE HIM IS FROM A JUSHIN NOBLE FAMILY. LADY KYE WOL HYANG.
THIS IS THE FORMER MILITARY COMMANDER OF JUSHIN SIR MUNSU

IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO FIND A BETTER MATCHED PAIR IN THE WORLD
IT'S AN HONOR TO MEET SUCH AN OUTSTANDING SOLDIER AND A VERY ELEGANT NOBLEWOMAN.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND WORDS MARQUIS.

HEY, CAN YOU PLEASE TIDY YOUR HAIR?
THAT'S WHAT I FIND EMBARRASSING
THE PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTRY SAY REALLY EMBARRASSING THINGS,
DON'T YOU THINK?
DUKE CONSTANTINE AND HIS WIFE!
OH SO YOU'RE SIR MUNSU
WE'VE HEARD ABOUT YOU.
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IT SPEAKS HIGHLY OF MY COUNTRY OF JUSHIN...
THAT THE SOULS OF THE HEROES WHO DIED DEFENDING IT WERE WITH ME
HA HA HA. I HEARD YOU WERE GIVEN THE TITLE LEGENDARY AND AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE.
OF THOSE WHO WILL BE PRESENT TONIGHT, HE RANKS ONLY BELOW THE QUEEN
THIS IS THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE ARMY, DUKE CONSTANTINE

PLEASE TRANSLATE FOR ME.
I SEE SOULS OF HEROES. EVERY COUNTRY TENDS TO BOAST ABOUT THEIR VICTORIES.
BUT THE EXTENT TO WHICH PRIMITIVE COUNTRIES EXAGGERATE, LEAVES ME SPEECHLESS.
I HEARD YOUR SOLDIERS FOUGHT AGAINST MONSTERS.
WHAT KIND OF MONSTERS WOULD THOSE BE? SO RIDICULOUS. IT WAS EMBARRASSING JUST TO HEAR SUCH TALL TALES.
WHAT DID HE SAY?
ER UM...

HE SAID OUR BATTLE AGAINST KAIDATEN...
WAS A SHAM.
THERE SHOULD BE SOME LIMIT TO HOW BACKWARD A COUNTRY CAN BE
AND IS IT TRUE THAT JUSHIN STILL USES CATAPULTS?
HO HO HO!

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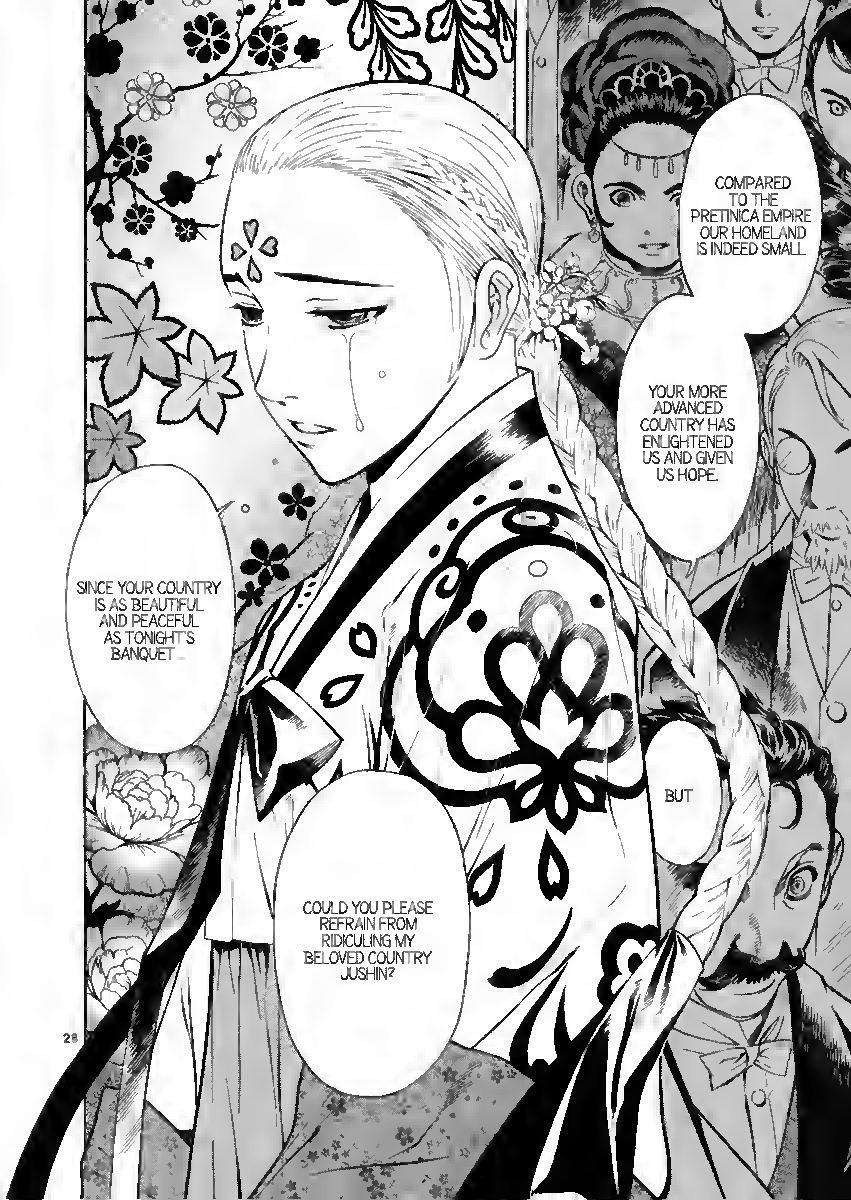
YES?
HOW CAN I, A HUMBLE WOMAN WHO HAS NOT SEEN THE WORLD
POSSESS AS MUCH WISDOM AS THE DUKE?


COMPARED TO THE PRETINICA EMPIRE OUR HOMELAND IS INDEED SMALL
YOUR MORE ADVANCED COUNTRY HAS ENLIGHTENED US AND GIVEN US HOPE.
SINCE YOUR COUNTRY IS AS BEAUTIFUL AND PEACEFUL AS TONIGHT'S BANQUET...
BUT
COULD YOU PLEASE REFRAIN FROM RIDICULING MY BELOVED COUNTRY JUSHIN?

THE DUKE..
HAS UPSET THE LADY
KYE WOL HYANG, YOU...

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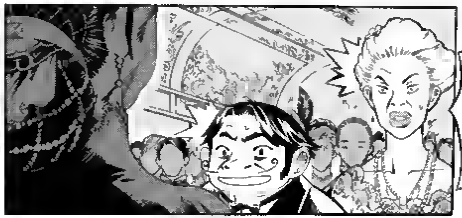
JUST PLAY ALONG

SHH! SILENCE!
HUH?

HA HA HA HA
WOMEN



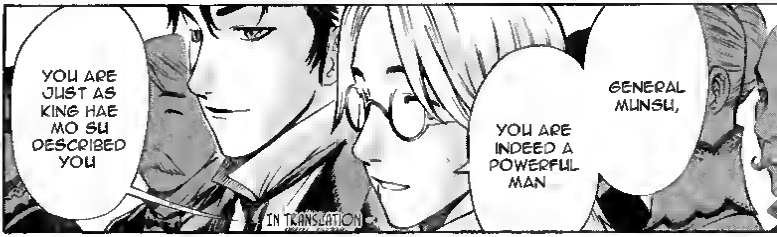
LOOK! COUNT TURAN IS HERE!
LET'S GREET HIM!

HER MAJESTY QUEEN WINDSOR!

EVEN I WAS CHARMED BY THE ELOQUENCE AND WISDOM OF THE LADY FROM THE EAST
THAT WAS VERY IMPRESSIVE!

PLEASE RISE. YOU ARE BOTH OUR GUESTS FROM THE FAR EAST.
LET US DISPENSE WITH THESE FORMALITIES.
YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS!

YOU DESERVE SPECIAL TREATMENT


YOU ARE JUST AS KING HAE MO SU DESCRIBED YOU
GENERAL MUNSU, YOU ARE INDEED A POWERFUL MAN
IN TRANSLATION

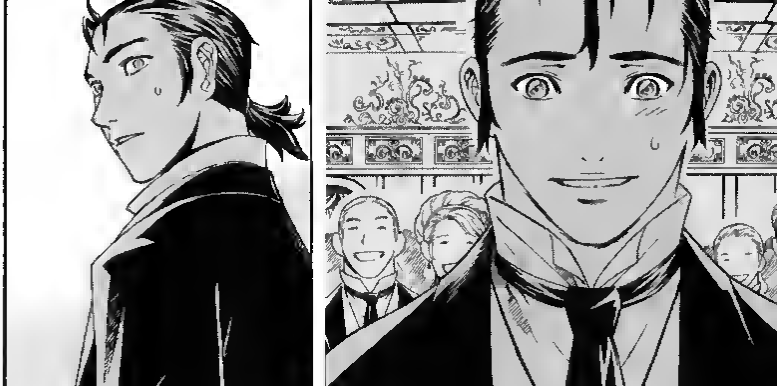
I HEARD YOU ARE THE DAUGHTER OF AN IMPORTANT GOVERNOR

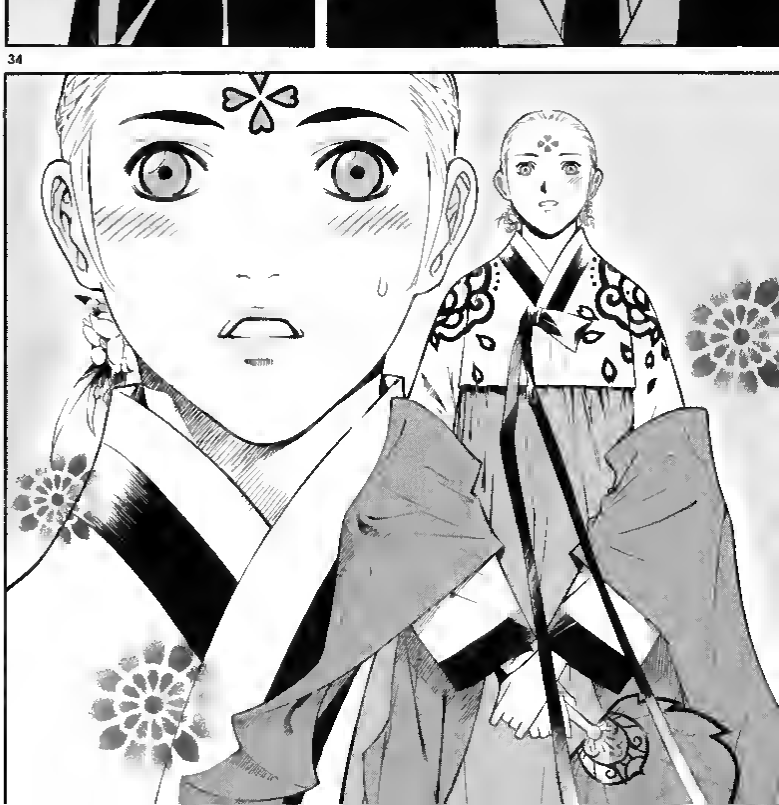
ARE YOU KYE WOL HYANG?
I DON'T DESERVE SUCH A COMPLIMENT

YES, ONE OF OUR ANCESTORS WAS A QUEEN, BUT NOW WE ARE JUST A HUMBLE FAMILY

JUDGING BY YOUR EARLIER ACTIONS, I CAN TELL YOU ARE A VERY DETERMINED WOMAN.
LOOKING AT YOU REMINDED ME OF MY PAST. I COULDN'T HELP FEELING EXCITED
THE TWO OF YOU CAME FROM AFAR TO VISIT ME
IF YOU WERE TO FINALLY AGREE TO BECOME ENGAGED TONIGHT AT THIS BANQUET, I'M SURE THERE WOULD BE NO OBJECTION
YOUR MAJ-ESTY?
AS A WOMAN, I AM ALL ALONE AT MY POST

LOOKING AT YOU BOTH.
REMINDS ME OF THE JOYS OF YOUTH.
HEED MY WORDS, SIR MUNSU,
WOMEN ARE IMPATIENT CREATURES.





EVEN THOUGH THIS OLD WOMAN IS THE QUEEN
TO COME RIGHT OUT AND SUGGEST SUCH A THING...
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AHHH...
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SINCE NO ONE HERE UNDER-STANDS OUR LANGUAGE,
WE CAN RELY ON HART-SAN TO MAKE UP SOMETHING SUITABLE TO TELL THEM.
IT'S ALL RIGHT YOU CAN JUST REJECT IT
I UNDERSTAND YOU BETTER THAN ANYONE...
THERE IS NO PLACE IN YOUR HEART FOR ME
I WON T TELL ANYONE ABOUT THIS
SO PLEASE SPEAK TRUTHFULLY

KYE WOL HYANG
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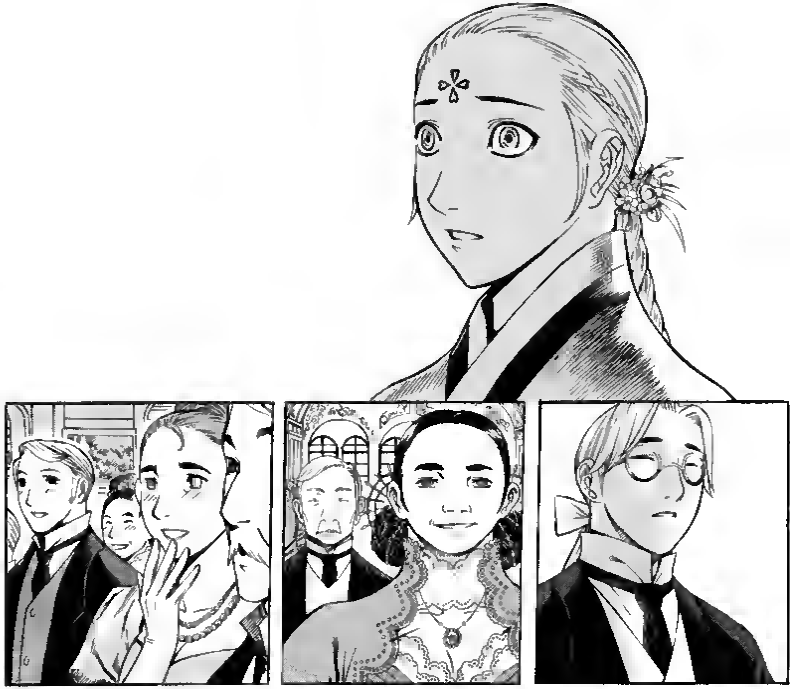

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DID HE REALLY CONFESS TO HER HART?
AH... YES.
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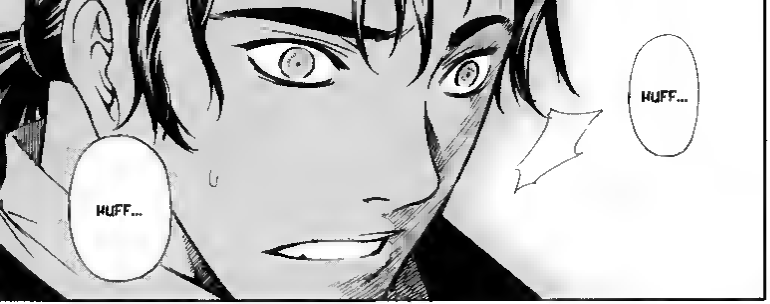
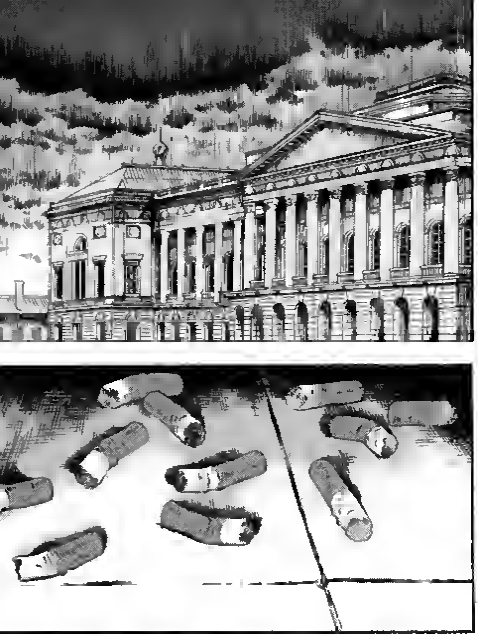
REALLY?


HUFF...
HUFF...

AH...
AHH...

K-KYE WOL HYANG?!

AHH...
AH...
KYE WOL HYANG!
AHHHHHH!



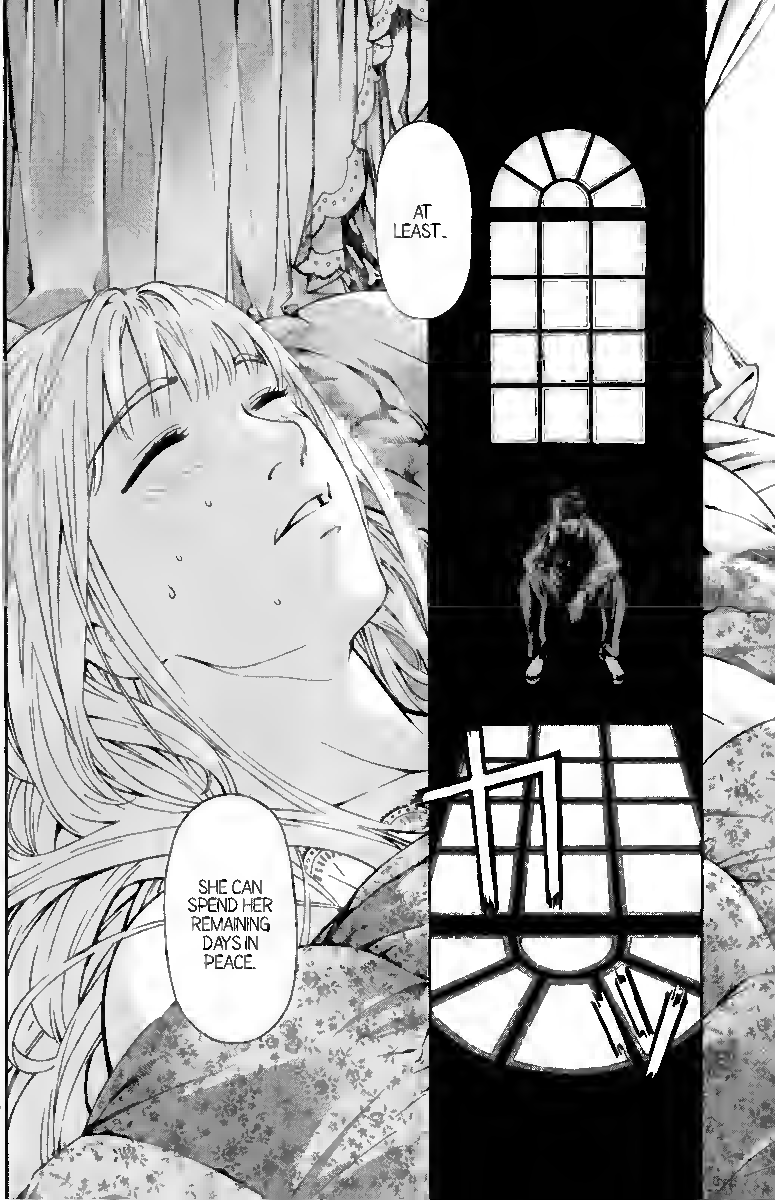
WHY DID YOU LET HER TRAVEL IN HER CONDITION?

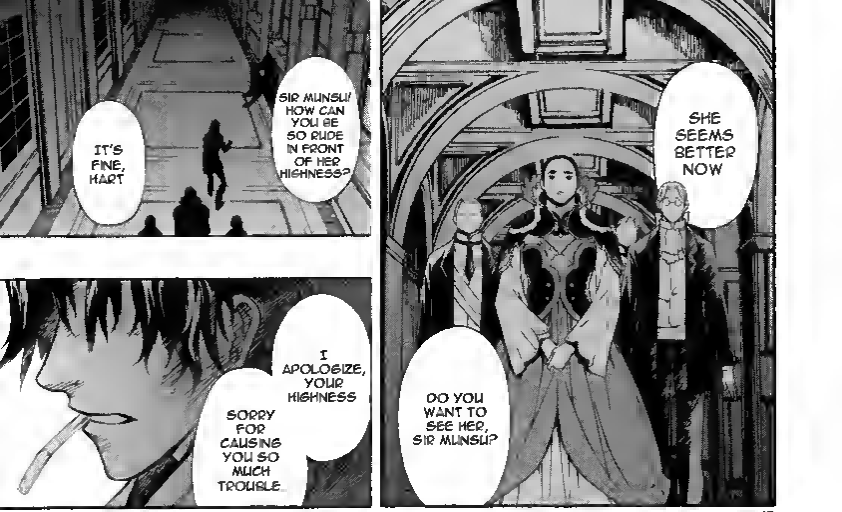
SHE'S IN A GREAT DEAL OF PAIN EVERY DAY
THIS ILLNESS CAUSES SUFFERING BEYOND OUR IMAGINATION.

HER LUNGS ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONING PROPERLY.
THERE IS NO CURE.

BEING IN A STRANGE ENVIRONMENT HAS AGGRAVATED HER CONDITION
IT'S BEST FOR HER TO RETURN TO HER HOMELAND IMMEDIATELY

SHE ONLY HAS ANOTHER SIX MONTHS...
AND EVEN THAT IS AN OPTIMISTIC PROGNOSIS.


AT LEAST...
SHE CAN SPEND HER REMAINING DAYS IN PEACE.


SIR MUNSU! HOW CAN YOU BE SO RUDE IN FRONT OF HER HIGHNESS?
IT'S FINE, HART
SHE SEEMS BETTER NOW
I APOLOGIZE, YOUR HIGHNESS
SORRY FOR CAUSING YOU SO MUCH TROUBLE
DO YOU WANT TO SEE HER, SIR MUNSU?

ABOUT HER CONDITION?
YOU KNEW...
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BUT I BELIEVED HER...
WHEN SHE SAID SHE WAS FINE
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I KNOW IT ALL TOO WELL

SHE NEVER SHOWED HER PAIN IN FRONT OF ME
SHE WAS ALWAYS ENERGETIC
AND I...
CHOSE TO BELIEVE HER...

YOUR MAJESTY,
I KNOW THIS IS PRESUMPTUOUS OF ME, BUT I HAVE A REQUEST.
COULD YOU PLEASE SEND A MESSAGE TO MY KING?
SHE WAS SEEING SOME DOCTORS BACK THERE

PLEASE INFORM THE KING THAT I'M TAKING HER BACK...
AND ASK HIM TO HAVE THE DOCTORS THERE WHEN WE ARRIVE
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TELL HIM THIS IS AN EARNEST REQUEST..
FROM HIS LOYAL SUBJECT AND FRIEND
SIR MUNSU,
WHY DON'T YOU TELL HIM THAT PERSONALLY?
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HOW ARE YOU...
MY FRIEND?

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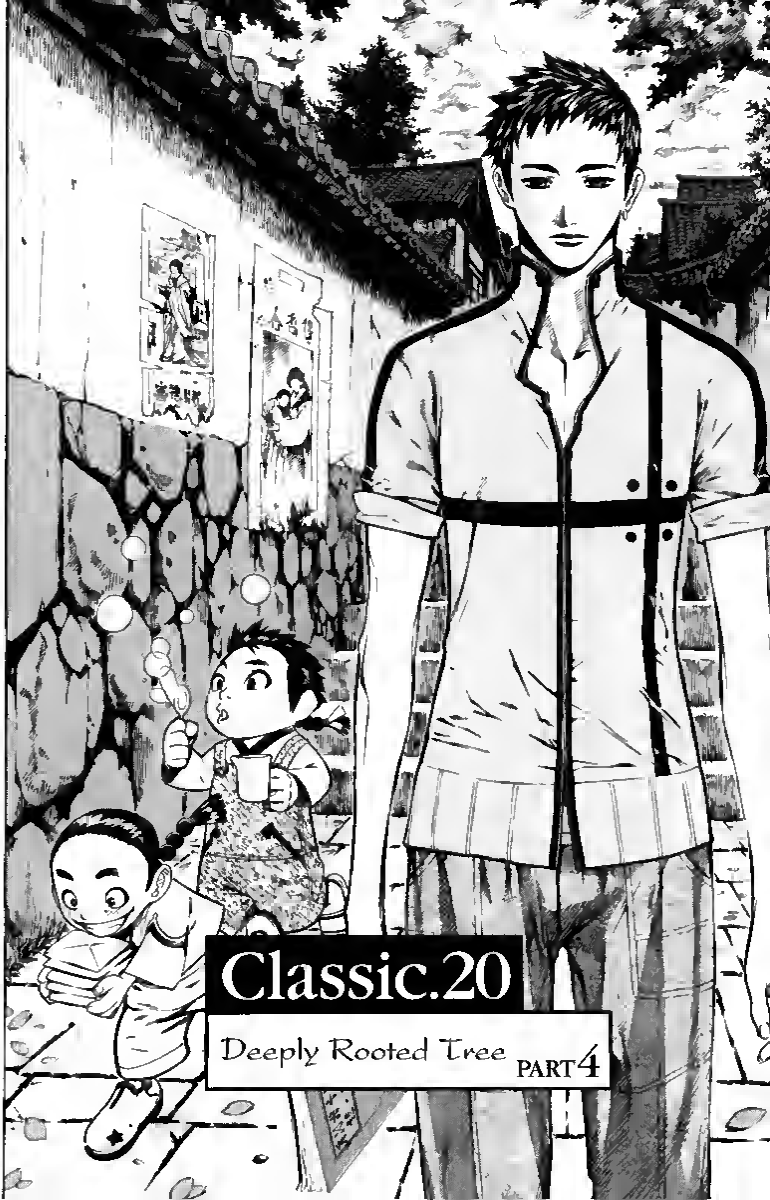
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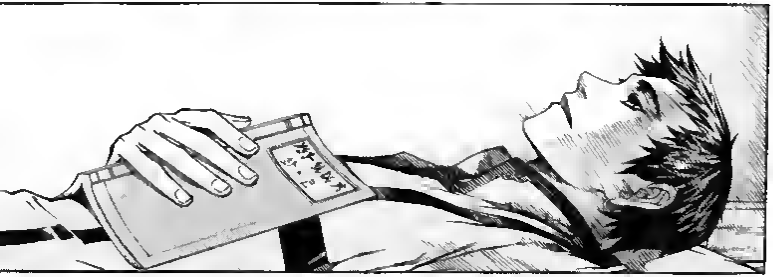

WHO ARE YOU?
YOU ALL APPEAR TO BE HIGHLY SKILLED FIGHTERS
BAND OF ASSASSINS THAT HAS BEEN TARGETING MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY RECENTLY
I SEE... IT'S YOU.
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BUT THIS TIME, YOUR OPPONENT WON'T LOSE
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOUR REASONS ARE FOR THESE DESPICABLE ACTS,
.....
FOOL, TAKE THIS!
!?

!!
ATTACK HIM TOGETHER!
HE— WHAT DID HE JUST DO?

AH...
AH...
AHH...
AHH...
AHH...

HEH HEH
THE WORD IS THAT AFTER THE BATTLE OF KAIDATEN, YOU CAME TO ACQUIRE GODLIKE SKILL WITH THE SWORD
SO WHAT THEY SAY IS TRUE, WON SUL-RANG

OF COURSE NOT! I WAS ALSO AMBUSHED

BUT ISN'T IT A PITY? YOU'VE MASTERED THE SWORD TO THE POINT THAT YOU DON'T EVEN NEED THE SWORD ITSELF,
IS THIS YOUR DOING, EUL PASO?
YET THERE'S NO PLACE FOR YOU TO USE IT HEH HEH

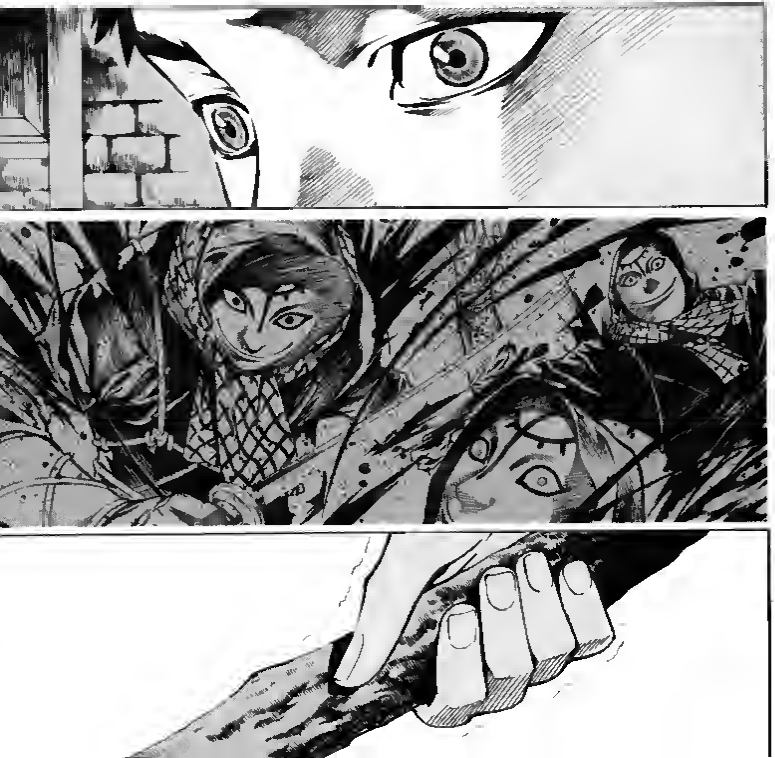
EUL PASO, YOU
WELL, THEY DO HAVE THEIR REASONS

BUT THEY WERE NO MATCH FOR ME
HOW ABOUT YOU, WON SUL?

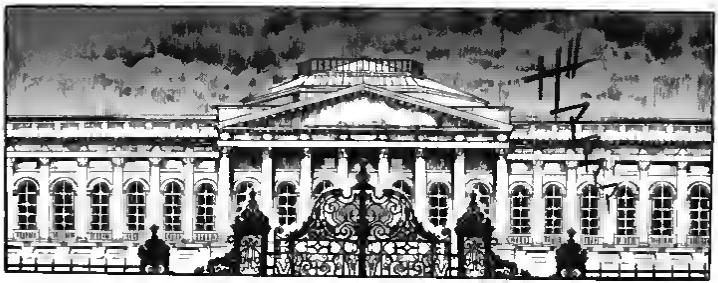
JUST A MOMENT AGO, DIDN'T YOU FEEL ALIVE WITH EXCITEMENT?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
AFTER KEEPING THEM IN CHECK THIS LONG, THEIR PENT UP TEMPTATIONS HAVE BURST OUT
...IN THIS ERA OF PEACE.
YOU HAVE THOSE ITCHING TEMPTATIONS TOO RIGHT?
TAKE A LOOK FOR YOURSELF
VIRAK.
HE WAS A FORMER SOLDIER,

HEH HEH DO YOU UNDER-STAND NOW WON SUL?
THIS BAND OF ASSASSINS WAS FORMED BY OLD COMRADES WHO FOUGHT AND SERVED UNDER YOU IN BATTLE
BEASTS THAT MADE A LIVING OUT OF KILLING
AND HAVE FOUND IT IMPOSSIBLE TO ADJUST TO PEACE. THEY'VE LOST CONTROL WELL, THAT LOOKS LIKE WHAT HAS HAPPENED
TO THEM, IT DOESN'T MATTER WHO THEY FIGHT
THAT'S WHY THEY ONLY MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY
AS LONG AS THE OPPONENT CAN SATISFY THEIR UNCONTROL-LABLE URGE TO KILL...
WHAT ARE YOU GETTING AT?
I'M TELLING YOU TO BE CAREFUL
IN CONTRAST TO YOUR OUTWARD CALM, YOUR KILLING INTENT HAS BECOME MUCH MORE INTENSE
GO AWAY, EUL PASO
I DON'T NEED YOU TO TELL ME...
THE PRESENT JUSHIN DOESN'T SUIT ME...

IT DOESN'T MATTER WHO...
I'M GOING TO FIND SOMEONE WORTHY OF BEING MY OPPONENT



FILTHY DOGS



STOP WORRYING! KYE WOL HYANG WILL BE—
THE COURT PHYSICIANS FROM JUSHIN ARE ALL HIGHLY SKILLED

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS, HAE MO SU?
HOW DID YOU END UP COMING HERE?
I WANT TO KNOW WHY YOU ABANDONED YOUR DUTIES AND CAME HERE.
DO YOU THINK I HELPED YOU GET THE THRONE JUST SO YOU COULD HAVE FUN TOURING THE WORLD?
DAMN, THIS IS MY FIRST VISIT TO THE WEST...
AND I CAN'T EVEN GO OUT AND LOOK AROUND
IT JUST KEEPS RAINING! WHY DOESN'T IT STOP ALREADY?
HEY!
AH, CERTAINLY, IT IS A CRUCIAL TIME FOR JUSHIN
AS YOU KNOW ONLY TOO WELL, JUSHIN IS EXHAUSTED AND DRAINED FROM OUR LONG WAR.
THEREFORE, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO BUILD BETTER RELATIONS WITH OTHER NATIONS
I DON'T THINK THERE IS ANY BETTER WAY TO DO THIS...
THAN TO HAVE THE KING OF JUSHIN ACT AS AN AMBASSADOR TO THESE FRIENDLY NATIONS.

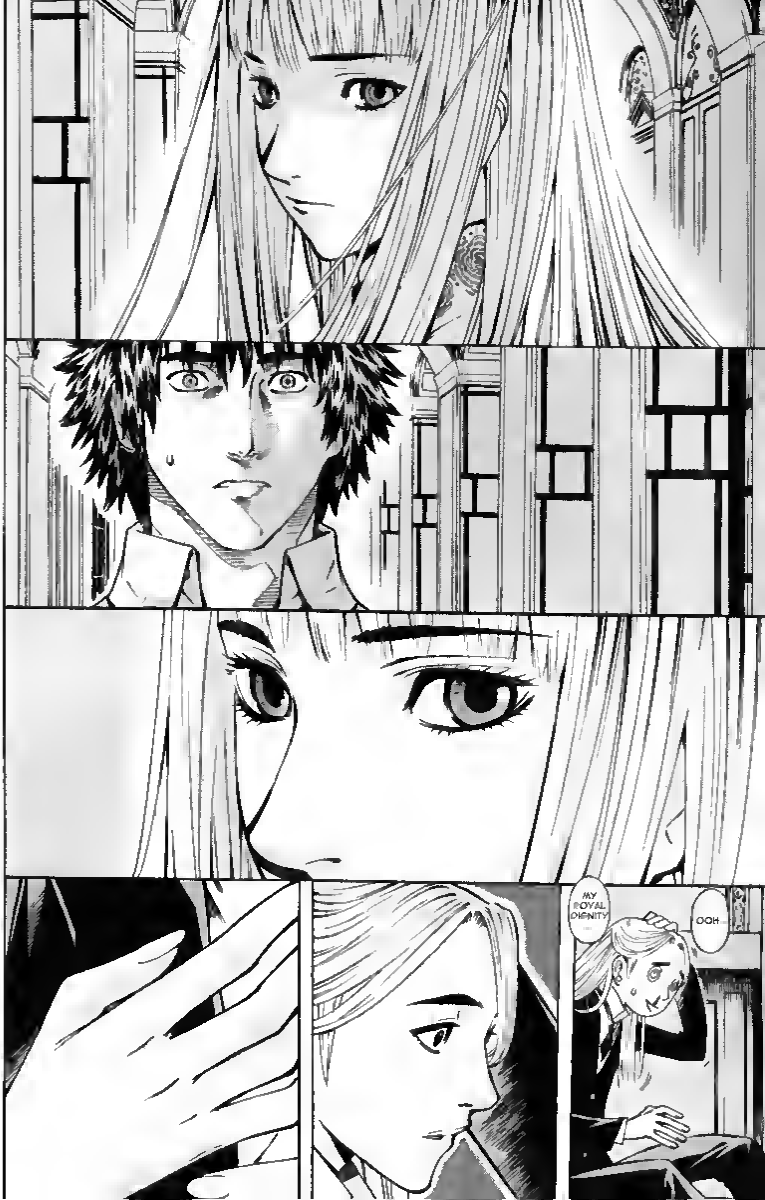
OF COURSE THE SENATE STRENUOUSLY OBJECTED BECAUSE IT WOULD TEMPORARILY LEAVE THE THRONE EMPTY,
BUT THEY ARE MISGUIDED. TO REVIVE THE GREATNESS OF JUSHIN, WE NEED TO CHANGE THE WAY WE THINK.
THAT IS MY PHILOSOPHY
YOU STILL HAVEN'T CHANGED. ALL YOU DO IS MAKE KYE WOL HYANG SUFFER.
FRANKLY, I SHOULD BE THE ONE WHO'S ANGRY, MUNSU
BUT EVEN IF I HADN'T JUST TURNED UP SUDDENLY,
ISN'T THE RESULT THE SAME?
JUST TURNING UP HERE SUDDENLY?
DON'T YOU THINK YOU WENT A LITTLE OVERBOARD?

I'M TURNING HER OVER TO YOU
DON'T MISUNDER-STAND, MUNSU YOU'RE NOT THE REASON
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF YOUR AMBIGUOUS ATTITUDE?
ACTUALLY, I'VE BEEN WATCHING YOU SINCE THIS MORNING

I'M ONLY THINKING OF HER HAPPINESS
SHE DOESN'T HAVE MUCH TIME LEFT

AND UNTIL I CAN DECIDE ON HOW I FEEL...
I HAVE BEEN AGONIZING OVER IT...
YOU...
KNEW ALL ALONG?
NO
I ONLY FOUND OUT RECENTLY WHEN HER DOCTOR TOLD ME
UGH
FRIEND OR NOT...
PERHAPS I SHOULD SEIZE HER FOR MYSELF

KYE WOL HYANG, HOW ARE YOU FEELING?
YOU'RE ALL CONCEITED TO THE CORE!
JUST AS I THOUGHT, ALL KINGS ARE THE SAME
DON'T TREAT ME LIKE AN OBJECT YOU CAN PASS AROUND!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN 'TURNING HER OVER TO YOU'? AND 'SEIZE HER FOR MYSELF'?!


MY ROYAL DIGNITY...
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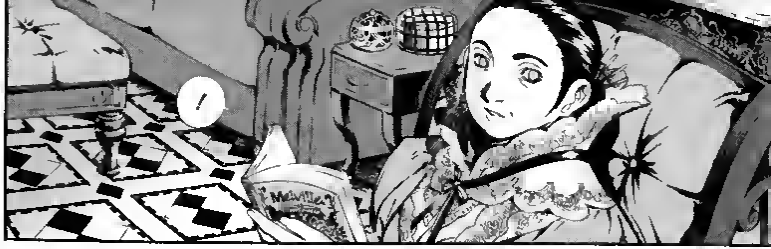
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT,
HAE MO SU?
AH,
YES



OH,
IT LOOKS LIKE THE RAIN HAS STOPPED

LET'S GO!

WHAT—?!
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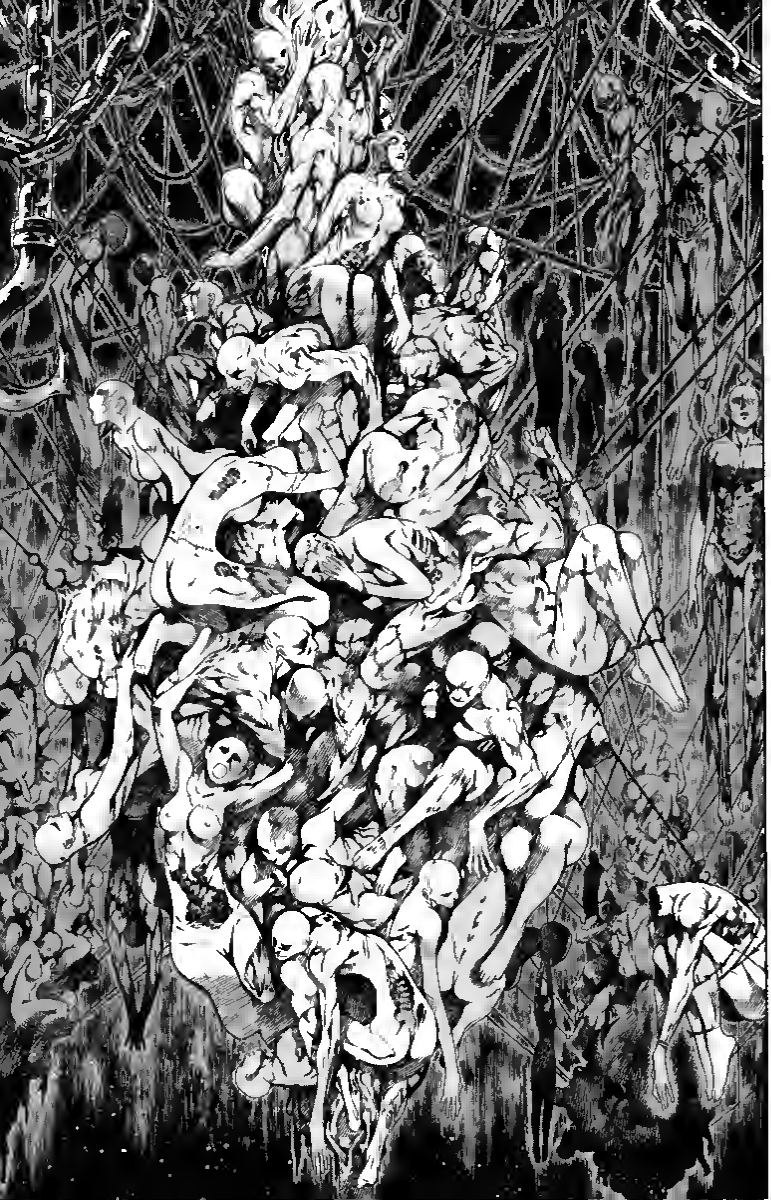

URGH
BLEAGH!
UGH
UGH!
URK...

BARON
LOU ELLS

...YOU ARE WANTED FOR THE CRIME OF KIDNAPPING AND MURDERING 321 PEOPLE
WE HAVE COME TO ARREST YOU
I'M SORRY, SIR GALLIMARD, BUT COULD YOU GIVE ME JUST A MOMENT?
THE CREATION OF MY LIFE'S WORK IS ABOUT TO BE BORN.
WELL, THAT SHOULD BE FINE
MERCY AND COMPASSION EVEN FOR THE DEVIL IS ALSO A PART OF OUR LORD'S TEACHINGS

DO YOU BELIEVE THERE IS A GOD?
OF COURSE, SINCE DEVILS LIKE YOU EXIST.
BESIDES, THE LORD HAS ENTRUSTED ME WITH THIS MISSION.
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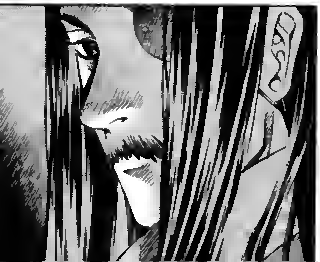
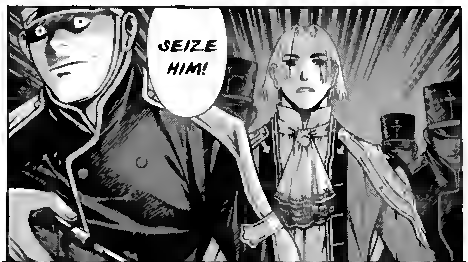
YOU SHALL BE CONDEMNED TO A SLOW, PAINFUL DEATH BY FIRE.
THAT'S RIGHT. SLOWLY, DELIBERATELY, AND EVENTUALLY...
I AM NOT THE DEVIL
IF YOUR GOD IS TRULY OMNIPOTENT...
THEN LOGICALLY THE DEVIL MUST BE, TOO.

BECAUSE ITS EXISTENCE IS BEYOND ANYTHING IMAGINABLE BY MAN
PEOPLE NAME IT THE DEVIL.




SEIZE HIM!

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URGWW!
GAWW!
WAWW!
Dear God, our most precious Lord,
we stand firm in our faith.
GAWW!

DEVIL!
SHOW ME YOUR TRUE FORM,

ROARRR!

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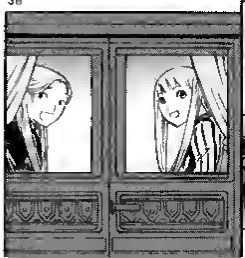
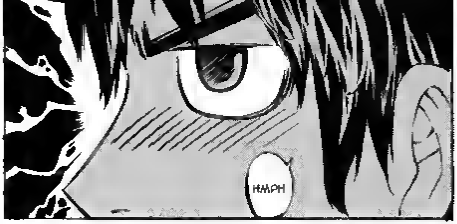
FOOLS! HOW COULD YOU BE FOOLED BY SUCH SIMPLE BLACK MAGIC!
YOUR FAITH IS NOT STRONG ENOUGH
FAITH... HUH...

SLOWLY CORRUPTS A MAN...
THROUGH HIS WEAKEST POINT.
YOUR FAITH.
THE DEVIL...
WILL GRADUALLY BE CORRUPTED.



HE'S SERIOUSLY JUST OUT HERE TO SIGHTSEE
IS THAT ALL HE CARES ABOUT?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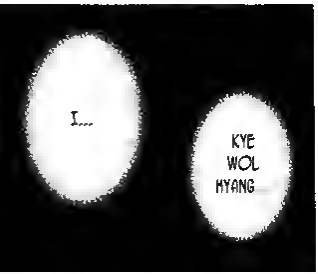
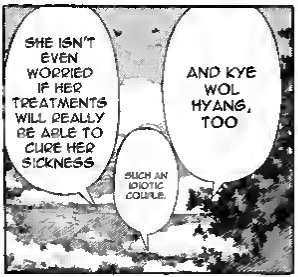
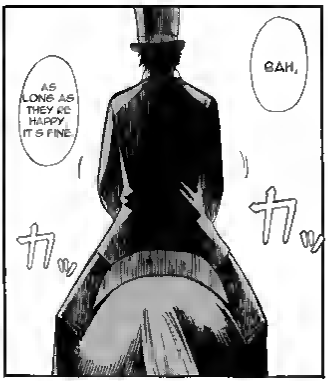
3RD WHEEL


I...
KYE WOL HYANG


SHE ISN'T EVEN WORRIED IF HER TREATMENTS WILL REALLY BE ABLE TO CURE HER SICKNESS
AND KYE WOL HYANG, TOO
SUCH AN IDIOTIC COUPLE.

SHE ONLY HAS ANOTHER SIX MONTHS...
AND EVEN THAT IS AN OPTIMISTIC PROGNOSIS.


AS LONG AS THEY'RE HAPPY IT'S FINE.
GAH,

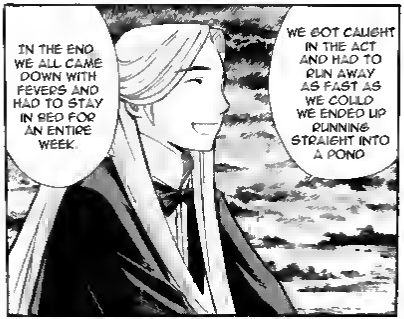
YEONG SIL, YOU'RE REALLY BEING ANNOYING
SUPER AMAZING! IT REALLY MANAGED TO START RUNNING
OH, THAT'S AMAZING, TOO!
WOW~

Ohh!
WOW!
AT LEAST WON SUL
HOW DID THIS FOOL BECOME HIS PERSONAL BODY-GUARD?
GENERAL MUNSU, DID YOU JUST SEE THAT?
THAT IRONCLAD CART-PULLER STARTED MOVING ALL BY ITSELF
AS EXPECTED FROM WESTERNERS

IN THAT CASE, WHY DIDN'T AOI TAE COME?
WHY DID YOU COME INSTEAD?
THEY'RE ALL FINE I GUESS
AH YES
IS EVERYONE DOING WELL?

THERE WAS NO WAY WE COULD GET ALL THE HIGH OFFICIALS TO COME ALONG
OH, THAT'S BECAUSE THIS ISN'T REALLY AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

HA HA HA, DO YOU REMEMBER...
WHEN THE THREE OF US WENT TO STEAL ONIONS FROM THE FIELDS?


WE GOT CAUGHT IN THE ACT AND HAD TO RUN AWAY AS FAST AS WE COULD. WE ENDED UP RUNNING STRAIGHT INTO A POND
IN THE END WE ALL CAME DOWN WITH FEVERS AND HAD TO STAY IN BED FOR AN ENTIRE WEEK.

EH? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? THE THREE OF US?
I WAS OPPOSED TO IT START TO FINISH! IT WAS ALL YOU AND MUNSU

BUT NOW THAT WE'RE ADULTS...
YOU TWO HAVE CHANGED YOUR AMBITIONS

MAKES ME REMEMBER THE TIME WHEN ALL WE WANTED WAS FOR US TO BE TOGETHER EVERY DAY
THE THREE OF US BEING TOGETHER AGAIN...

NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, THAT ALL HAPPENED A LONG, LONG TIME AGO

AND THE ONE WHO ALWAYS GETS THE SHORT END OF THE STICK...
IS THE GIRL.
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IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE YOU AND I...
HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HAVE A PRIVATE TALK, HASN'T IT?
YOU ARE THE GRAND, MAJESTIC KING, RULER OF ALL JUSHIN
HOW MAGNI-FICENT!
IT WOULD BE SCANDALOUS FOR YOU TO PAY ATTENTION TO A SIMPLE GIRL LIKE ME
WHAT'S THIS? I WAS HOPING YOU MIGHT GIVE ME AN OPPORTUNITY, BUT
CLE...RLY, I WAS WRONG

IT SEEMS...
I WAS WRONG, TOO...

IF...
YOU AND I WERE TO MARRY...
IT WOULD BE A REALLY WONDERFUL THING

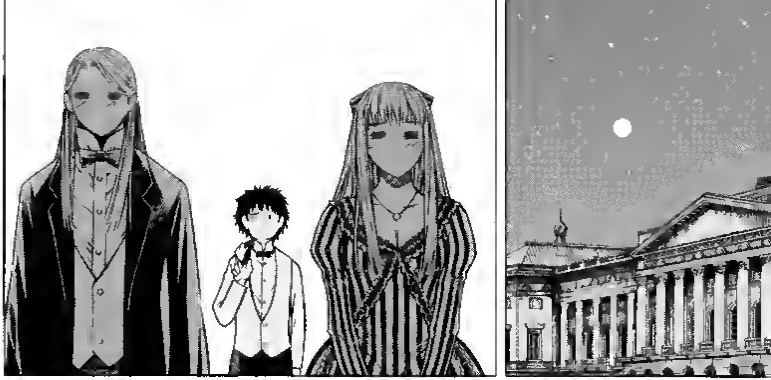
I AM TRULY IMPRESSED THAT YOU AND MUNSU WERE ABLE TO RISE SO HIGH IN A COUNTRY LIKE THAT.
JUSHIN, MORE THAN ANY OTHER COUNTRY IN THE WORLD, VALUES FAMILY ANCESTRY.
IT WOULD SILENCE ALL THOSE SENATORS WHO HAVE MOCKED YOU FOR COMING FROM AN UPSTART ROYAL BRANCH.
MY FAMILY CAN BE TRACED BACK TO THE VERY FOUNDING OF JUSHIN.

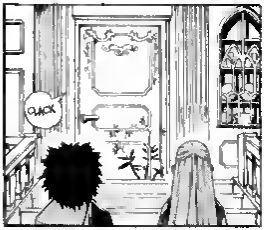
WOULD BE COMPLETELY REALIZED, WOULDN'T IT?
THE DREAM YOU AND HE HAVE HAD SINCE CHILDHOOD...
IF YOU AND I MARRIED,

BEFORE I DIE,
I REALLY WANT TO SEE YOU TWO ACHIEVE YOUR DREAM

KYE WOL HYANG.
DON'T EVER SAY THAT KIND OF THING AGAIN.

I'M SORRY, HAE MO SU.
YES

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IT'S TIME FOR MY TREAT-MENT
EXCUSE ME

THE LOOK ON HER FACE...
NO... FAR MORE IMPORTANT THAN THAT...
MUNSU!

DID SOME-THING HAPPEN ON THE BOAT?

IT SEEMS...
I CAN'T CHANGE MY FEELINGS FOR KYE WOL HYANG.
.....
I SEE...

DON'T EVER...
SAY THAT KIND OF THING AGAIN
I DIDN'T THINK HE HAD THAT SIDE TO HIM
THAT REALLY SURPRISED ME
I...
HAVE THAT SAME PROBLEM
ANYTHING WRONG?
NO, IT'S NOTHING

IT'S JUST THAT...
MY FEELINGS ARE BEING PULLED IN DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS

SLOWLY CORRUPTS A MAN THROUGH HIS WEAKEST POINT.
THE DEVIL...
INTEREST-ING.
LET ME TEST MY FAITH.
THEN, DEVIL, SHOW ME!

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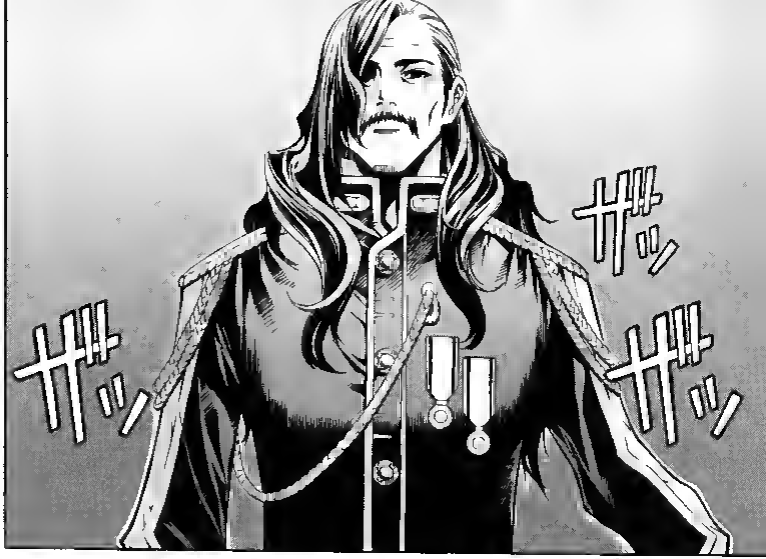
Deeply Rooted Tree PART 5


THE CHIEF MINISTER OF MILITARY AFFAIRS, GENERAL RYUU...
WISHES FOR AN AUDIENCE
AH...
SHOW HIM IN

LONG TIME NO SEE, GENERAL.
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR PROMOTION TO GENERAL MUNSU'S FORMER POSITION

WHEN WILL HIS MAJESTY RETURN?
6 DAYS FROM NOW
I NEVER WOULD HAVE THOUGHT ACTING IN HIS PLACE WOULD BE SUCH A LARGE RESPONSIBILITY
HIS MAJESTY IS VERY RECKLESS
THOSE CUNNING FOXES ARE JUST WAITING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?
IS THE SENATE STILL UPSET ABOUT THE KING'S CURRENT DIPLOMATIC TRIP?
THERE IS NO NEED TO TELL YOU THAT
I WILL COME BACK ONCE THE KING RETURNS
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I HAVE THE SAME AUTHORITY AS THE KING
WHICH MEANS, AS LONG AS I REMAIN IN THIS POSITION
HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN?
I AM ACTING IN HIS MAJESTY'S STEAD.
IT SEEMS THE KING HAS CHOSEN A VERY DANGEROUS MAN...
TO BE AT HIS SIDE

NOW, WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO REPORT TO ME?
I WILL TAKE THAT AS A COMPLIMENT.

NOW THAT I'VE DEALT WITH HIM FIRSTHAND, I SEE HE HAS A STRONG CHARACTER.
BUT I STILL CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE KING TRANSFERRED OWER TO SUCH A PERSON AT A TIME LIKE THIS.
AJI TAE...
I USED TO THINK ALL HE COULD DO WAS FLATTER GENERAL MUNSU.
ANYWAY...

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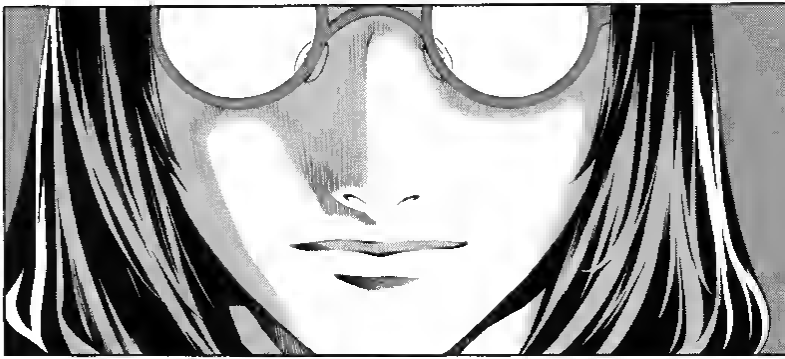
THEY'LL SHOW THEIR HAND...
VERY SHORTLY.



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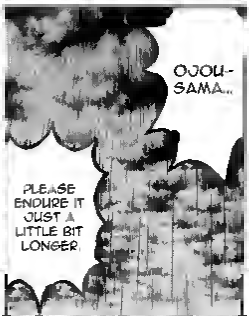
PLEASE SUMMON HWARANG BRIGADE MEMBER, WON SIL-RANG, TO THE PALACE

The Upheld Head


OJOU-SAMA...
PLEASE ENDURE IT JUST A LITTLE BIT LONGER.

AHHHHH!!

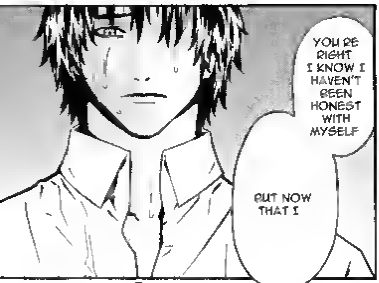
The Upheld Head

WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
YOU'RE DRENCHED!
I WANTED TO DRESS UP BEFORE SEEING YOU...
BUT I WAS IN A HURRY AND FORGOT MY UMBRELLA
AHHHH!
YOU'RE SO STUPID
IF YOU CATCH A COLD...

I CAN'T FORGET
WHAT YOU SAID TO ME BACK THEN
NO NEVER MIND WHY DO I FRET ABOUT YOU SO MUCH?
WHY DO I ALWAYS WORRY ABOUT A MAN WHO DOESN'T CARE FOR ME AT ALL?
BUT THAT'S ONLY NATURAL...
AFTER ALL I AM A WOMAN
AT THE BANQUET
HUH?

YOU REALLY ARE...
A DESPICABLE MAN.

AND THAT YOU WERE A COWARD WHO COULDN'T SUMMON ENOUGH COURAGE...
I USED TO THINK...
YOU JUST DIDN'T UNDERSTAND HOW I FELT...


YOU'RE RIGHT. I KNOW I HAVEN'T BEEN HONEST WITH MYSELF
BUT NOW THAT I

GONE THROUGH SUCH A FRIGHTENING EXPERIENCE
NOW THAT I'VE

BUT THERE IS A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YOU TWO.
YOU MAY BE HIS CLOSEST FRIEND,

BUT IT'S YOU I LOVE.
I WOULD LIKE TO EMBRACE THE MAN WHO LOVES ME...
AND BE HAPPY WITH HIM

I PLANNED TO MAKE MYSELF DESPISE YOU,
SO I COULD CHANGE MY FEELINGS TOWARD YOU...
BUT I COULDN'T DO IT
JUST SEEING YOU COMPLETELY DRENCHED MOVES ME
MUNSU...
WHAT SHOULD I DO?

I'LL BE HAPPY AS LONG AS YOU RE WATCHING OVER ME
THAT S WHY I WANT TO STAY CLOSE TO YOU FOREVER
.....
KYE WOL HYANG...

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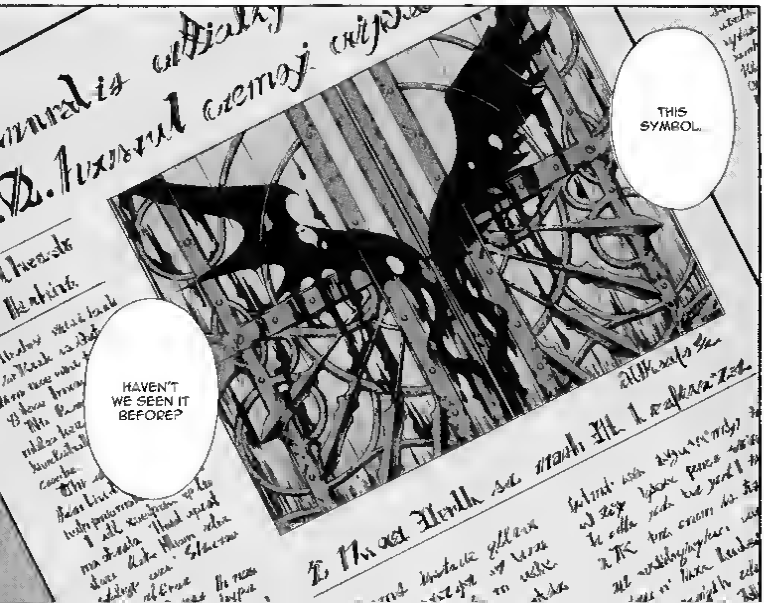
IS THERE ANYTHING WE CAN DO,
HAE MO SU?
FIRST OF ALL, WE NEED TO RETURN TO JUSHIN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
I STILL DON'T KNOW
THAT'S NOT WHAT I'M ASKING
I THINK YOU MUST HAVE THOUGHT OF IT TOO

IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE MEDICINE...
AS LONG AS IT WILL SAVE KYE WOL HYANG...
NO MATTER WHAT WE DO, WE CAN'T CHANGE THE WILL OF HEAVEN
IF WON HYO WERE HERE...
HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO HELP,
WHY DON'T YOU GET SOME REST? YOU SEEM REALLY TIRED
BUT HE HIMSELF WOULD
HE WOULD FIND A WAY, RIGHT?
WHAT THE HELL IS THE MATTER WITH YOU?
NOT ONLY CAN YOU NOT COME UP WITH A CURE, BUT YOU'RE TALKING LIKE THAT! WAS WHAT YOU SAID TO ME EARLIER JUST A BUNCH OF LIES?

WHY DON'T YOU LOOK AT WHAT I PUT ON THE TABLE?
DO YOU WANT YOUR KING TO BE EXACTLY LIKE YOU?
YET ALL YOU CAN THINK ABOUT ARE YOUR PERSONAL CONCERNS.
TOMORROW, I HAVE A VERY IMPORTANT MEETING WITH QUEEN WINDSOR.
I WANT TO STUDY EVERYTHING I CAN ABOUT THIS COUNTRY, SO EVERY MINUTE AND EVERY SECOND IS VALUABLE.
IT'S CALLED A NEWSPAPER. IT REPORTS ON BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC EVENTS.
THERE IS A VERY INTERESTING STORY ON THE FRONT PAGE.
THEY DISCOVERED SOMETHING THAT HAD BEEN CREATED BY DEMONIC MAGIC...?
INSIDE AN OLD MANSION ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY...

DON'T YOU THINK THAT'S A LITTLE STRANGE,
MUNSU?
BUT THE BODIES WERE LEFT UNDISTURBED BECAUSE THEY ARE NOW THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CHURCH
THE MAGICIAN WAS KILLED AT THE SITE
IT SAYS AN INSANE BLACK MAGICIAN
KIDNAPPED AND KILLED HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE. THE BODIES WERE ARRANGED TO FORM A DEMONIC SYMBOL.


THIS SYMBOL.
HAVEN'T WE SEEN IT BEFORE?

YES...
THIS IS JUST LIKE THAT SCULPTURE YOU HAVE IN YOUR OFFICE BACK IN JUSHIN
I HEARD IT REQUIRED THE STRONGEST CHARMS TO MAKE,
AND THAT YOU PERSONALLY PROVIDED THE MAGIC IS THERE SOMETHING I'M MISSING?
HAVE YOU REALLY FORGOTTEN...
WHY I CREATED THAT SCULPTURE?
IT WAS THE THING WE SAW...
THAT TIME WHEN WE WERE CHILDREN
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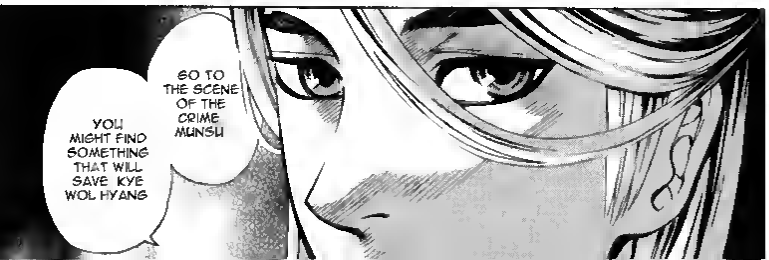
AND THE MURDERER WAS DEFINITELY A POWERFUL BLACK MAGICIAN
WE DON'T NEED TO THINK ABOUT ANYTHING ELSE THAT SYMBOL IS UNMISTAKABLE

OF UNRIVALED, SECRET ARTS
THIS IS THE SYMBOL


YOU MIGHT FIND SOMETHING THAT WILL SAVE KYE WOL HYANG
GO TO THE SCENE OF THE CRIME MUNSU

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I NEED A LIGHT.
DID I DROP SOMETHING?
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TEN YEARS AGO.
IT'S JUST LIKE THAT TIME...
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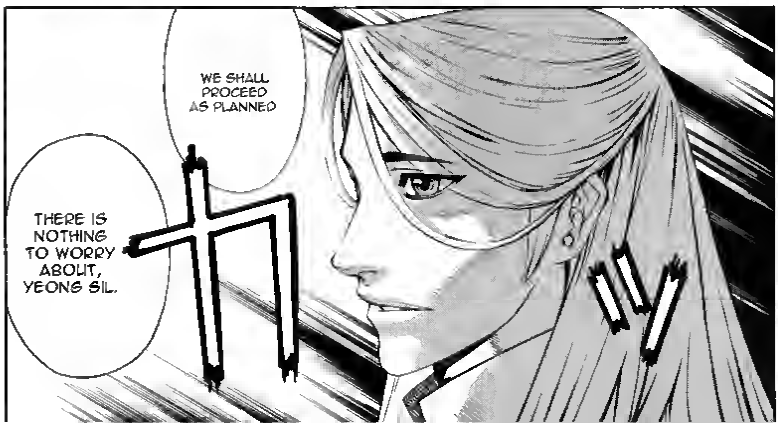
TAKE THIS WITH YOU, JUST IN CASE.
IT MIGHT BE ABLE TO HELP YOU.
THAT ASIDE,
THIS PLACE IS MAKING MY HAIR STAND ON END
IT'S A MAHAI I'VE HEARD ABOUT WHAT IT CAN DO
BUT DOES IT REALLY WORK?

LOOKING FOR CLUES WHERE SHOULD I START SEARCHING?
.....
THIS IS SERIOUS!

IS THAT SO?
WHAT IS IT?
THERE IS AN URGENT TELEGRAM FROM JUSHIN!
IN YOUR MAJESTY'S ABSENCE,
THE SENATE HAS INCITED A REBELLION!
WHAT SHOULD WE DO? SHOULD WE BEGIN PREPARATIONS TO RETURN TO JUSHIN IMMEDIATELY?
NO. THERE IS NO NEED FOR THAT.


WE SHALL PROCEED AS PLANNED
THERE IS NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT, YEONG SIL.

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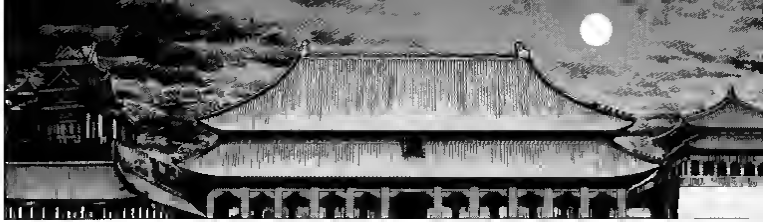
Deeply Rooted Tree PART 6



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REPORT TO CENTRAL COMMAND!
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STEP ASIDE! WE ARE SEIZING THE THRONE!
WE ARE THE FIFTY MEMBERS OF THE SENATE
!?
WHAT IS THIS?

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ARGH!
GAHHH!
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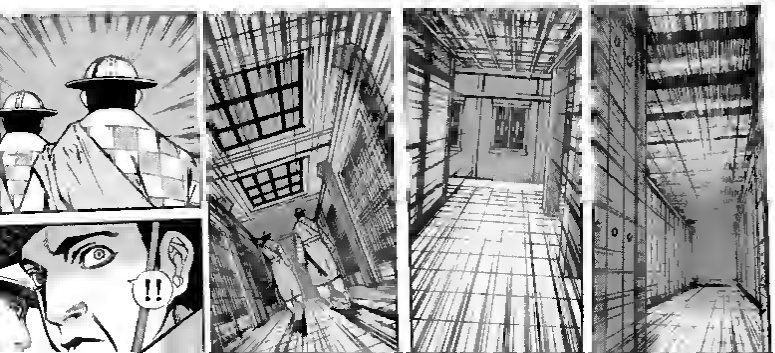
MEMBERS OF THE GAKSSI,
TODAY'S OBJECTIVE IS THE IMPERIAL THRONE.
QUICKLY AND COVERTLY...
DO IT LIKE WE ALWAYS DO,

!?
YAWN...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GAHH!
UGH!

WHY IS IT SO NOISY OUTSIDE?
PLEASE GO TAKE A LOOK.
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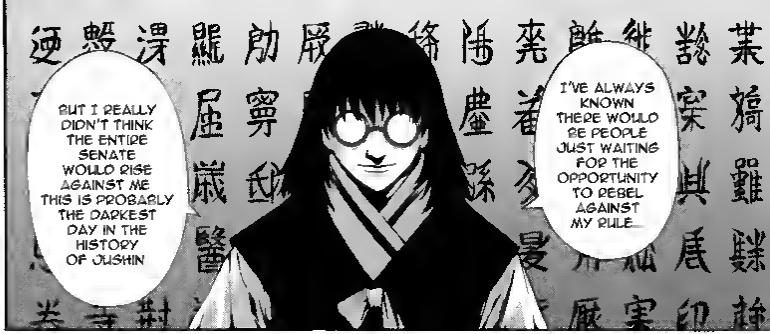
THE GAKSSI UNIT IS SUPPOSED TO PROTECT THE KING
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
WHEN THE KING IS ABSENT, CONTROL OF THE MILITARY FALLS TO THE SENATE.
WHAT IS HAPPENING NOW IS THE NATURAL OUTCOME OF HAVING A FOOLISH AND UNFIT KING SITTING ON THIS COUNTRY'S THRONE.
IT WOULD BE A DERELICTION OF OUR DUTY IF WE ALLOWED A COMMON PEASANT TO BE THE KING.
AOI TAE, PLEASE STEP DOWN FROM THE THRONE IF YOU OBEY US, WE WILL SPARE YOUR LIFE


I'VE ALWAYS KNOWN THERE WOULD BE PEOPLE JUST WAITING FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO REBEL AGAINST MY RULE...
BUT I REALLY DIDN'T THINK THE ENTIRE SENATE WOULD RISE AGAINST ME. THIS IS PROBABLY THE DARKEST DAY IN THE HISTORY OF JOSHIN

WELL HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF "THIS" "LITTLE" "SAYING" BEFORE?

HMPH, YOU'VE ONLY SAT ON THE THRONE FOR A FEW DAYS
AND YET YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF THE KING, AJI TAE?

IF YOU WANT THE HEAVENS,
YOU MUST CHEAT THE HEAVENS THEM-SELVES

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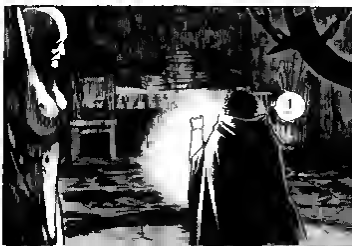
A LOT OF WEIRD PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD
THERE ARE CERTAINLY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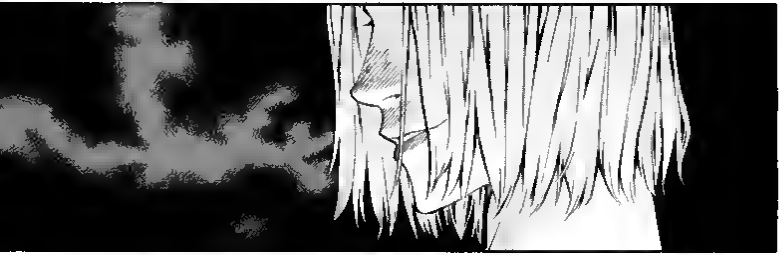
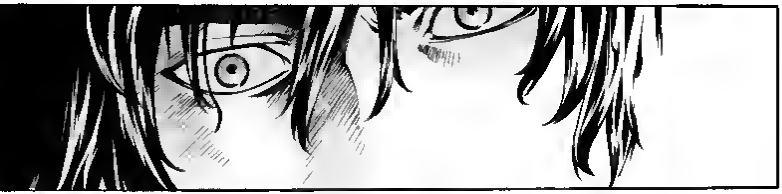
I CAN'T READ A WORD OF THIS!
SHOULD HAVE SPENT MORE TIME STUDYING THE LANGUAGE
OH...
THIS ILLUSTRATION...

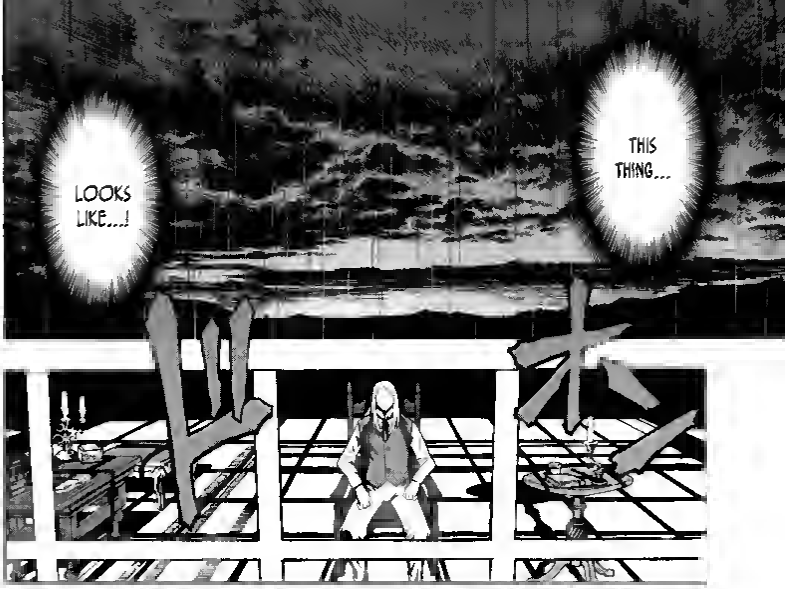
MIGHT AS WELL TAKE IT WITH ME

WHAT WAS THAT?
...!!
A MAN?

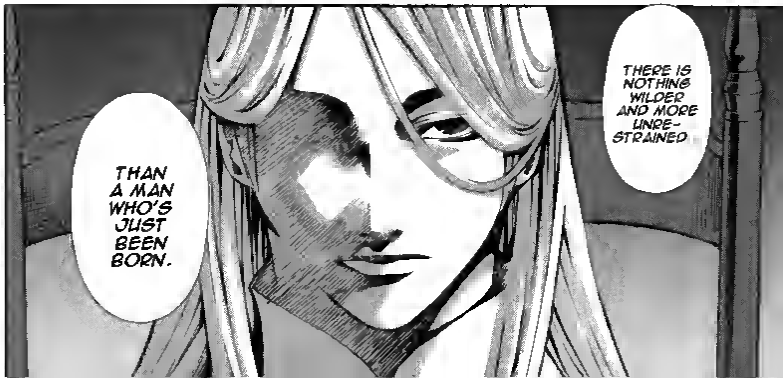




NO...
IT'S FAR MORE POWERFUL THAN THAT!
WHAT THE HELL IS THAT?
A BEAST?

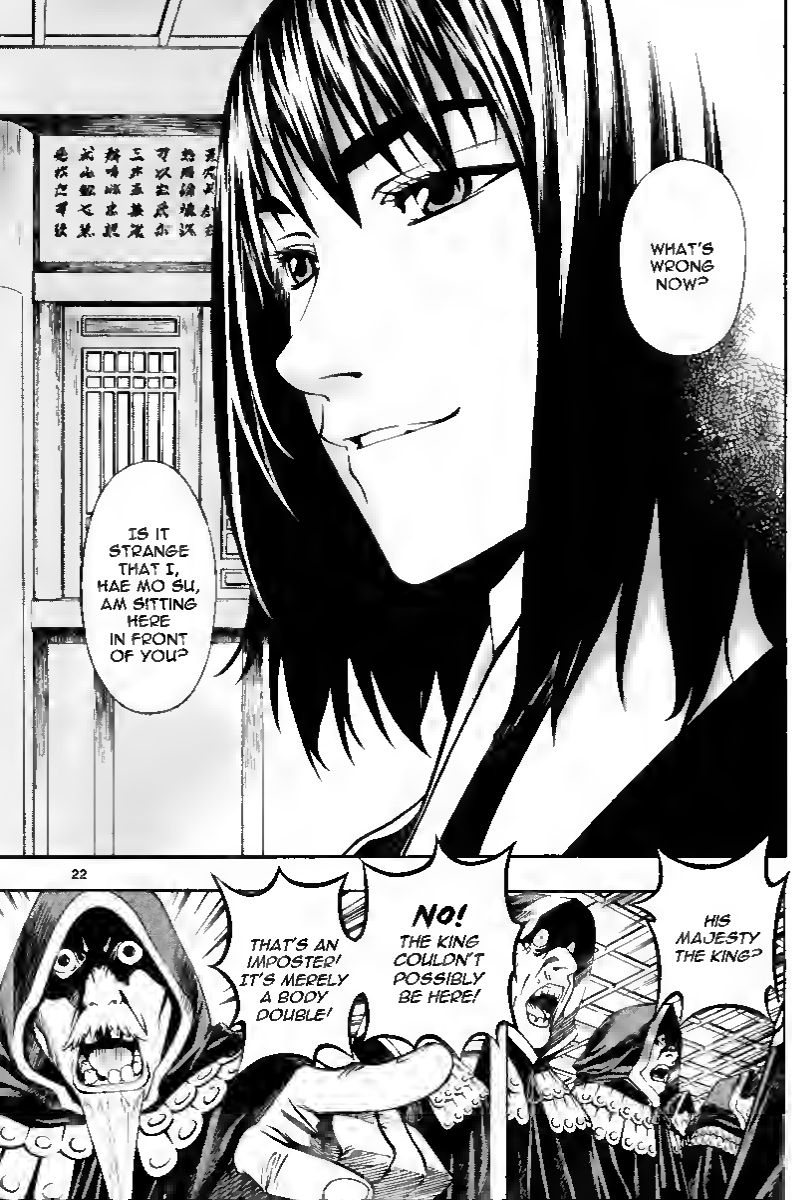

LOOKS LIKE...!
THIS THING...

MUNSU
BE CAREFUL.


THERE IS NOTHING WILDER AND MORE UNRESTRAINED
THAN A MAN WHO'S JUST BEEN BORN.

AND THE WEAK...
SHALL FALL INTO CONFUSION

WH-
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
HOW COULD THIS BE?


WHAT'S WRONG NOW?
IS IT STRANGE THAT I, HAE MO SU, AM SITTING HERE IN FRONT OF YOU?
HIS MAJESTY THE KING?
NO! THE KING COULDN'T POSSIBLY BE HERE!
THAT'S AN IMPOSTER! IT'S MERELY A BODY DOUBLE!

DECIDE FOR YOURSELVES HOW LIKELY THAT EXPLANATION IS
AFTER ALL, MEN ONLY BELIEVE THE THINGS THEY WANT TO BELIEVE
AND THUS HE NEEDED TO CHEAT THE HEAVENS
THE KING NEVER LEFT FOR THE WEST. HIS OBJECT WAS TO ROOT OUT THOSE WHO OPPOSED HIS RULE.
BUT ISN'T THERE ANOTHER, MORE LIKELY, EXPLANATION?
THAT'S RIGHT. I COULD BE A DOUBLE.
NO, EVEN IF HE IS THE KING, WE STILL HAVE TO BRING HIM DOWN.
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU SAYING? THIS MAN ISN'T THE KING!

ATTACK!

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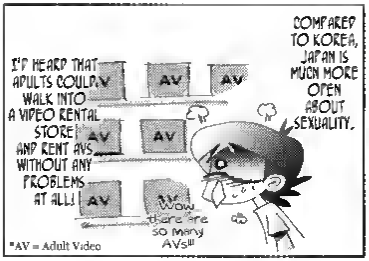
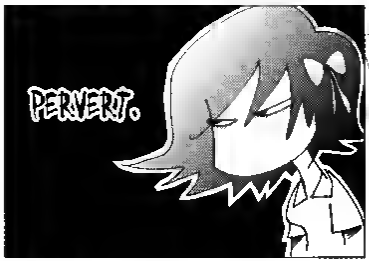

I'D HEARD THAT ADULTS COULD WALK INTO A VIDEO RENTAL STORE AND RENT AVS WITHOUT ANY PROBLEMS AT ALL!
AV
COMPARED TO KOREA, JAPAN IS MUCH MORE OPEN ABOUT SEXUALITY.
WOW! There're so many AVs!!!
*AV = Adult Video



From Anyong!! (Hi!)

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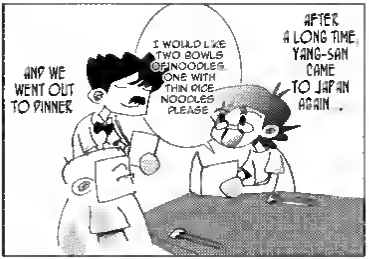
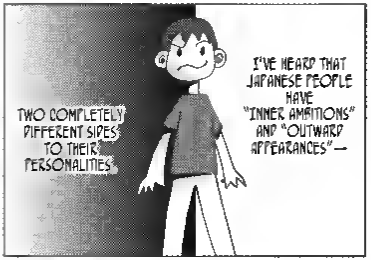
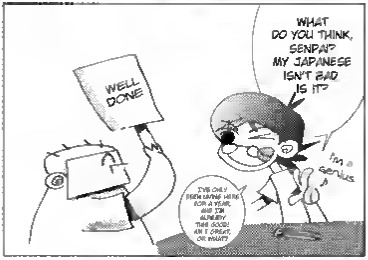
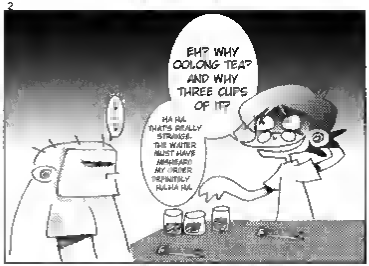
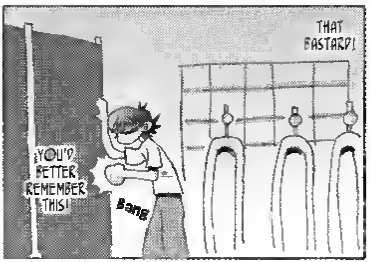

AND WE WENT OUT TO DINNER
I WOULD LIKE TWO BOWLS OF NOODLES. ONE WITH THIN RICE NOODLES PLEASE.
AFTER A LONG TIME, YANG-SAN CAME TO JAPAN AGAIN.

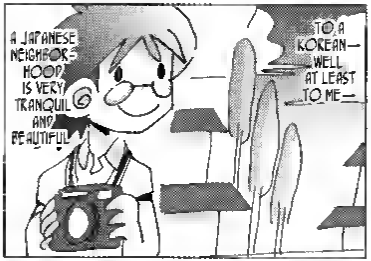

I'VE HEARD THAT JAPANESE PEOPLE HAVE "INNER AMBITIONS" AND "OUTWARD APPEARANCES"—
TWO COMPLETELY DIFFERENT SIDES TO THEIR PERSONALITIES.

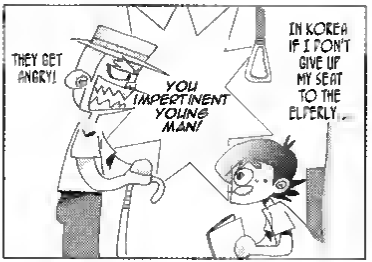

WHAT DO YOU THINK, SENPAI? MY JAPANESE ISN'T BAD IS IT?
WELL DONE
I'VE ONLY BEEN HERE HERE FOR A YEAR, AND I'M ALREADY THIS GOOD! AM I GREAT, OR WHAT?
I'm a genius

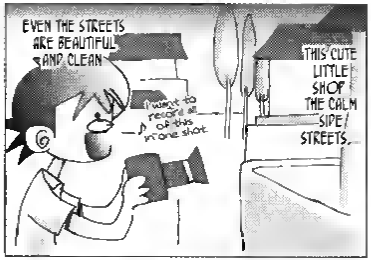

EH? WHY OOLONG TEA? AND WHY THREE CUPS OF IT?
HA HA, THAT'S REALLY STRANGE. THE WAITER MUST HAVE MISHEARD MY ORDER. PERHAPS! HAHA HA.



What really happened? Only the waiter knows for sure. (sweats)

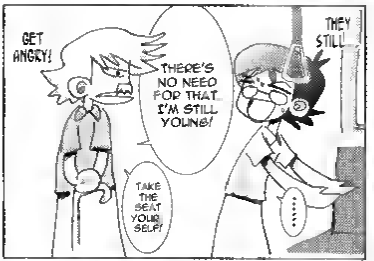

A JAPANESE NEIGHBORHOOD IS VERY TRANQUIL AND BEAUTIFUL.
TO A KOREAN— WELL AT LEAST TO ME—


THEY GET ANGRY!
YOU IMPERTINENT YOUNG MAN!
IN KOREA IF I DON'T GIVE UP MY SEAT TO THE ELDERLY...


EVEN THE STREETS ARE BEAUTIFUL AND CLEAN.
I WANT TO RECORD ALL OF THIS IN ONE SHOT.
THIS CUTE LITTLE SHOP THE CALM SIDE STREETS...

WHEREAS IN JAPAN IF I GIVE UP MY SEAT TO THE ELDERLY...
PLEASE SIT

CLICK
HUH?!


GET ANGRY!
THERE'S NO NEED FOR THAT. I'M STILL YOUNG!
THEY STILL
TAKE THE SEAT YOURSELF!
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PERVERT!
AH, THAT WAS...

WHAT'S A GUY SUPPOSED TO DO?
Rattle Rattle

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The ancient kingdom of Jushin.
Once upon a time,
direct emissaries of the King were sent to
outlying regions to free the people from suffering under evil.
The people called them the Amen-osa.
And today, when the kingdom has collapsed...
A single Amen-osa, named Munsu,
together with his guard Sando and his servant Banja,
wanders through the ravaged land,
fighting evil and countless demons and monsters...

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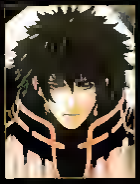
CHARACTERS

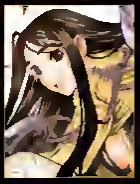
Bang Ja

Self-proclaimed Great Sorcerer. With his former Angyo Oroku dead, the wandering Bang Ja decides to dedicate his life to serving Munsu.



Munsu

An Angyo Oroku and possessor of the powerful Three Horse Mahai which allows him to summon the Phantom Soldiers. Afflicted with a mysterious curse, his body deteriorates day by day.



Sando

Original name, Chae Hyang. A powerful warrior she becomes Munsu's bodyguard in order to fulfill her dead lover's wish.

Wol Hyang

The woman Munsu loves. She has suffered from a serious illness since childhood.

Han Mo Su

The king of Jushin. He and Munsu grew up together and are close friends.

Aji Tae

Munsu's greatest enemy. Although the true cause of Jushin's collapse is still a mystery, Aji Tae is believed to be the one mainly responsible.

Won Sul

Once a member of Jushin's elite swordsmen brigade, the Hwarang. As their most powerful swordsman, he earned the great title of king.

STORY

After using a mandrake needle, Munsu's mind has returned to the period of Jushin's greatest military challenge, the battle against Kadaten. At that time, Munsu and his troops fought to the very limit of their strength and achieved a great victory.